

DEVOTED TO BILLS.

House Passes Measure to Adjudicate Importations of Steel Blooms.

STEP TO IMPROVE OHIO RIVER.

Treaty for Construction of Panama Canal Cannot Be Ratified by Colombian Congress Before June 1 Next.
General Washington News.

Washington, Dec. 6.—The house devoted yesterday to bills on the private calendar. The most important bill passed was one to adjudicate in the court of claims the claims of certain importers of steel blooms who between 1879 to 1882 paid customs duties equivalent to 45 per cent ad valorem, when it was claimed the correct rate should have been 30 per cent. About \$350,000 is involved. A bill to pay Smithmeyer and Pelz, architects of the congressional library, \$50,000 additional compensation was defeated. A bill was passed authorizing the following persons to accept presents and decorations from foreign governments:

Captain B. H. McCalla, U. S. N.; Doctors Eugene Wasdin and H. O. Geddings, U. S. M. H. S.; Henry E. Alford, W. A. Taylor, H. W. Wiley, M. A. Carleton and John I. Shulte, of the department of agriculture; John A. Okerman, of the Mississippi river commission; Casper S. Crowninshield, United States commercial agent; Miss Anna Tolman Smith and Lieutenant-Colonel F. H. Phillips.

At 4:05 p. m. the house adjourned until to-day.

Ohio River Improvement Bill.

Washington, Dec. 6.—Representative Bromwell, of Ohio, with a view of securing a minimum of a nine-foot stage of water in the Ohio river, yesterday introduced a bill appropriating \$200,000 for the survey of the river from the mouth of Big Miami to the mouth of the Ohio.

This is the first step necessary to the great improvement that is being urged by the Ohio Valley Improvement association. It is stipulated in the resolution that the report shall be ready by November 1, 1903, in order that the president may discuss the Ohio river improvement in his annual message to congress.

Vice President Albert Battinger and Secretary E. P. Wilson, of the Ohio Valley Improvement association, yesterday called upon Chairman T. E. Burton, of the rivers and harbors committee, and asked his support in the movement to make the Ohio navigable the entire year. They did not receive much encouragement from Mr. Burton, who is not in favor of the project.

He asked his visitors if they realized that they were asking for an appropriation of about \$6,000,000 a year for 10 years, when the total appropriations of the rivers and harbors committee amounted to only about \$25,000,000 a year.

They replied that they were aware of what their proposition meant, but that they were justified in making the request, in view of the enormous advantages to the whole country that would follow.

Panama Canal Treaty.

Washington, Dec. 6.—Mr. Minister Hart, at Bogota, is correctly informed, no treaty providing for the construction of the Panama canal can be ratified by the Colombian congress before about June 1 next. He has reported that the congressional elections have been called for the middle of next March, and Colombian here say that a period of at least 60 days is required to assemble a newly-elected congress, and then some time must elapse before it is in working order. Secretary Hay therefore has decided to allow the treaty to be ratified in Washington first, presuming that he succeeds in negotiating one, unless the senate interposes an objection, which is not anticipated. It is expected that early next week Dr. Herran, the Colombian charge here, will be given all the powers necessary for him to sign a treaty.

Cuban Reciprocity.

Havana, Dec. 6.—After a conference with Secretaries Zaldo and Montes last night, President Palma said: "My commissioners Senor Zaldo and Montes will sign the reciprocity agreement with Gen. Bliss probably on Monday or Tuesday next. It will then be sent to Washington, where the treaty will be signed by Secretary Hay and the Cuban minister, Quesada. After confirmation by the United States senate it will send the treaty to the Cuban senate for approval. I shall not send it to the house of representatives because the executive has with the approval of the senate the right according to the constitution to make a treaty which does not affect the tariff."

SUPERINTENDENTS CONFER.

Gathering of B. & O. Officials Friday at Pittsburgh.

The Superintendents of the divisions and branches of the Pittsburgh system of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad met yesterday at the general offices in Water street station, Pittsburgh. A conference was held with General Superintendent L. G. Haas. The meeting was the first one held for some time, and the first touch of real winter weather had something to do with it. Immediate conditions on the divisions and improvements under way and contemplated for next year occupied a full day's discussion. Among those attending the conference were: C. F. Batchelder, Superintendent of the Middle Division; J. F. Irwin, Superintendent of the Connellsville Division; H. O. Dunkle, Superintendent of the New Castle Division; J. T. Johnson, Superintendent of the Cleveland Division; B. W. Duer, Superintendent of the Pittsburgh Division; and Chief Clerks H. R. Harlin, W. O. Schoonover, G. W. Billingsley, J. B. White, T. J. Dally and Chief Clerk W. T. Lechendor, of the Pittsburgh General office. The meeting was presided over by General Superintendent L. G. Haas, at whose instance it was called. Division Superintendent U. B. Williams of the Wheeling Division, in General Superintendent Thomas Fitzgerald's territory, likewise was present to aid in the general success of the gathering, as was W. H. Williams, Assistant to the General Manager.

The needs of each and every division within General Superintendent Haas' territory was reviewed. Yard extensions, double-tracking, the construction of storage tracks, and, in fact all matters under the jurisdiction of the operating department and affecting the general relationship between the divisions, was considered with regard to detail. Before any of the proposed improvements can be definitely acted upon, however, the assistance of the engineering department must be sought, in order that the engineering details, necessarily a part of the program, may be worked out to a conclusion. The meetings primarily are for the purpose of bringing the various division officers in close touch with each other so that the wishes of all may be better understood, the desire being to establish an official family for harmonious results.

CONTRACT CANCELLED.

J. B. Sheets & Company's Trouble With Columbus City Official.

The story printed below from Columbus, O., will interest many Connellsville people. J. B. Sheets & Company, the sewage contracting firm mentioned, but recently completed a sewage system in Connellsville. The Columbus special says in part: "J. B. Sheets & Company of Pittsburgh were charged Thursday by Director Immel of the Department of Public Improvements with an attempt at crookedness in relation to their contract for constructing sewers here at a cost of \$51,000. The company was awarded the contract, but now refuses to do the work at that price, because, Director Immel says, he will not allow them to substitute cheaper material than that provided for in the specifications. 'The Director claims that the contract was awarded to the Pittsburgh firm in good faith, and that the city will retain the \$100 certified check deposited as a guarantee to honestly perform the work. He claims that the company asked to be allowed to put up a shoddy piece of work so as to make money out of the contract, and that when he remonstrated they told him such a course had been customary and that the bid had been made low with the supposition that cheap material could be used. The company asked to be allowed to bid on the next contract, but the Director told them their action in this matter would not be to their credit.'"

John B. Sheets, head of the firm, says the specifications were changed after he bid on the contract, considerable work being added that was not in the original papers.

A New Poet in Town.

Joseph Mayer, of the firm of Mace & Company is a poet. In today's issue of The Daily Courier, eighth page, appears his first effort in English dedicated to the children, the ladies and the men of Connellsville. It tells a story of Santa Claus and tells it well. Mr. Mayer is a better poet in German and French than English, but with only sixteen months acquaintance of our language his effort is very creditable.

A \$23,000 Bond Issue.

Washington, Pa. School Board have voted a bond issue of \$23,000 for new school buildings.

ISOLATED IN DEATH.

Distressing Features Attend the Burial of Floyd N. Frum.

FRIENDS ARRIVE TOO LATE.

Final Removal of the Body from Quarantine to Hill Grove Cemetery—Rites at the Grave Conducted by Rev. W. A. Edie

The funeral and burial last evening of Floyd N. Frum, the young Baltimore & Ohio civil engineer who died Friday morning of smallpox, was without a parallel in Connellsville. Stricken far from home, relatives and lifelong friends it became necessary to isolate him. All that was possible was done to make him comfortable, but at best the hurried equipment of a camp car is far from taking the place of home. In this isolation the promising young man died with nothing but the friendly offices and faithful attention of a young physician who had never known him until he was stricken. Bitter sadness marks every feature of Frum's illness and death.

But the worst feature of the case was reserved for after death. The spirit of fear took possession of those who were to have helped in the burial of Frum. When 5 o'clock came those who had been engaged to help with the funeral refused to stir. The dreaded form which the disease took in the case of Mr. Frum was what spread the terror. Dr. T. H. White and the health officials searched in vain for someone to help with the gruesome work. Those who were willing to go were restrained by their friends. Liverymen refused to furnish a wagon to haul the corpse. Men promised to help and then went back on their promises. Fancy sums were offered, but they were refused. Time passed while the cabs waited, and it finally looked as if the burial would have to be delayed.

Finally, however, an Immune was secured who would brave the contagion. George O'Bryon of New Haven has had experience with smallpox. He has nursed cases in Dunbar township on several occasions. Dr. T. H. White, a Courier reporter and O'Bryon composed the burial party. On a rough road wagon with two splinted horses, O'Bryon sat astride the rough box and drove. The other two were in a buggy.

At Sodom shops the casket was taken from the rough box and run down to the car on a hand truck. Dr. Singer, alone with the dead, was hailed, and the yellow light steamed from the quarantined car. The casket was lifted up in the door. Then Dr. Singer went into the farther division of the car, divided by a sheet soaked in bi-chloride of mercury, and bore out the form of the dead, wrapped in three sheets saturated with a strong disinfecting solution. The casket was closed and sealed, run to the wagon on a truck, and loaded. The strange funeral procession then started while Dr. Singer went back to make final preparations for leaving the car.

Townpeople wondered when they saw the funeral pass up street. At the entrance to Hill Grove Cemetery the grave digger refused to accompany the funeral to the grave. He directed the drivers to the grave on the farther slope of the cemetery. The road was hard to find in the snow. Once the hearse-wagon topped and O'Bryon was thrown off into a snow drift. The wagon was driven as near the grave as possible.

Rev. W. A. Edie and several men from the Baltimore & Ohio engineering department came in a cab. All hands helped carry the big rough box to the graveside, stumbling under its weight through the drifted snow. The box was lowered into the grave. Reverently the little gathering of friends uncovered their heads while Rev. Edie, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, conducted the services of a Christian burial. He first made some remarks befitting the occasion. He spoke of Mr. Frum as a stranger of whom he had heard nothing that is not good. He spoke of the trying circumstance under which he had to be buried; he contrasted the strange night burial with a funeral at home when friends can comfort friends. Then he spoke of the stricken friends at home and of the sad circumstances that would deepen their grief. "Dust to dust, earth to earth, ashes to ashes," and the clods of clay muttered

a benediction as they sounded on the boards below. Then Rev. Edie prayed; for the soul of the departed friend; for those who were near and dear to him in the trial of their great sorrow; for her to whom the dead had pledged his love and his faith, that she may be comforted in her grief; for the young man, Dr. J. J. Singer, Jr., whose spirit of brotherly love prompted him to volunteer his services in caring for the sick when others quailed at the mention of his awful malady; for the friends who had followed the remains of their friend to the grave, and lastly that this community may be spared from the ravages of pestilence and disease. Then the grave was filled in. The floral offerings were very beautiful. One large piece "Gates Ajar," was sent by the fraternity of the West Virginia University of which Mr. Frum was a member. Other offerings came from his friends and associates here. Last night Dr. Singer thoroughly disinfected himself and went home. He deserves great credit for his work in nursing Frum. He took a great risk, dared to do what not one man in thousands would do, and the friends of Mr. Frum can be certain that the unfortunate man was well cared for in his suffering. Today the car will be burned with all its contents.

C. C. Frum, a younger brother of Frum, arrived in town this morning. By some misunderstanding the word of Frum's illness and death did not reach his family until Friday evening, wire trouble delaying the messages. The grief-stricken young man went to the cemetery to see the grave and the flowers. Other relatives will come on this afternoon and take charge of the dead man's affairs and effects here.

WILL MAKE COKE.

Union Steel Company Will Build a Plant at Ronco.

The Union Steel Company, which is a consolidation of the Union Steel Company of Donora and the Sharon Steel Company of Sharon, have decided to erect a coke oven plant at Ronco in the Lower Connellsville region. A mine has been opened there and it was the original intention of the Sharon Steel Company, which owned 3,200 acres of splendid coking coal near Uniontown, to ship the coal to Sharon to be coked in a big battery of by-product ovens at that point which are now nearing completion. Since the consolidation of the two companies the new stockholders and Directors have decided to build a coke plant. Two hundred ovens will be erected at once and they will be increased in number as fast as possible next summer. The product will be shipped down the new Monongahela branch of the Pennsylvania and Lake Erie railroads to the furnaces of the Union Steel Company at Donora.

John P. Brennan, formerly General Manager of the Union Supply Company, is manager of the Lower Connellsville coal and coke operations of the Union company, and will build their coke plant. Mr. Brennan was in charge of the Leekroon, Juffington and Footedals coke plants in the Lower Connellsville district before the consolidation of the Eureka Fuel Company with the H. C. Frick Coke Company, which came about in the organization of the United States Steel Corporation.

O'BRYON'S CLAIM.

Immune Smallpox Nurse Sues Dunbar Township for Wages.

Before Justice of the Peace W. H. Berger in New Haven this morning a hearing was held in the case of James O'Bryon against the Dunbar Township School Board. O'Bryon makes a claim of \$30 for wages due him for nursing a negro named Richards, who was quarantined with smallpox in the Leisening post house during the months of August and September of this year. O'Bryon was hired by School Director George Graham. On the minutes of the Board is a resolution authorizing the employment of a nurse.

The Board claims that they are not supposed to pay the expenses of a quarantine; that they were not authorized by the court to expend the township's money in this way. Several witnesses were examined. Squa Berger reserved his decision until Saturday, December 13th.

Compulsory Law Enforced.

For violating the compulsory school law by refusing to send his children to school, Peter Livingson, an Englishman of North Huntingdon township was committed to jail at Greensburg Friday for a period of one day.

Among the Exchanges.

William B. Aiken has retired from the management of the Windber Era, having transferred his lease to Amos Clair and George T. Vance, the latter a compositor in the Era office.

COMMITTED SUICIDE.

Joseph Naretti of Smithton Blew His Brains Out Last Evening.

WAS A WEALTHY MERCHANT.

A Member of Town Council There and Director in Several Companies in and About Layton and West Newton—Prepared Carefully for Death.

Joseph Naretti, a well known and wealthy merchant of Smithton, committed suicide yesterday afternoon at 1 o'clock in his home. He ate a hearty dinner at noon and after reading a paper for a few minutes went up stairs. He shaved himself and put on a good suit of clothes. His brothers and two nieces, with whom he lived, supposed he was dressing to go out. A pistol shot startled the members of the family and on going up stairs Naretti's brothers found him lying on the bed with a bullet wound through his head. Naretti had held the end of a 32-calibre pistol in his mouth and fired. The bullet came out the top of his head. Naretti lingered till last night when he died. The suicide locked and barred the door of his room before he killed himself and this had to be knocked in.

Naretti was a native of Italy and made a comfortable fortune at Smithton, starting first in a small way and gradually increasing his business until he had the largest store there. A will was found last night which was made several days ago. His property was left to his brothers and nieces. The latter kept house for him. Naretti was 50 years old and single. He was highly esteemed at Smithton and was a member of Town Council there. He was also a Director in the Layton Sand & Stone Company in which some Connellsville people are interested.

CAPT. FEE'S APPOINTMENT.

Aide-de-Camp on Commander Thos. J. Stewart's Staff.

Captain Thomas M. Fee received word this morning from Harrisburg that he has been appointed an Aide-de-Camp on the staff of General Thomas J. Stewart, Commander in Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic. In this capacity Captain Fee will attend the National Encampment at San Francisco next September. This appointment comes as quite an honor to Captain Fee, who has been active in Grand Army work ever since the G. A. R. was organized.

Captain Fee has long been a close friend of General Stewart. At the Cleveland encampment a strong effort was made to elect Stewart Commander in Chief, but it was finally abandoned. At the National encampment this year in Washington Captain Fee did good work for Stewart's boom, and the appointment is an appreciation of his efforts.

GASHED HIS HEAD.

Barroom Fight in New Haven Ends in Bloody Cutting.

Edward Beatty, a young man of New Haven, and William Riley, bartender at the Hotel Victoria in New Haven, got into an altercation Friday afternoon that ended in a bloody fight. Beatty, it is said, had been drinking and asked for a half pint of whisky, which Riley refused him. Then, it is alleged, Beatty threw a beer glass at Riley, but missed him, after he had made several threats as to what he would do. Riley then started to eject him from the barroom. Beatty was knocked down and severely beaten. Four bad cuts were inflicted on his head with a beer glass. These were sewed up by Dr. R. S. McKee, who was summoned. The wounds were bad ones and will keep Beatty laid up for some time. Beatty is being cared for at a room in the hotel.

Big Coal Sale.

Uniontown, Dec. 6.—O. P. Markle and J. B. Adams of this place have sold 6,000 acres of coal in Braxton county, W. Va., to the Davis-Bilkins syndicate. The tract is near the proposed line of the Wabash railroad. The coal was optioned two years ago at \$8 per acre. It is said the Uniontown men doubled their money several times on the deal.

New Bank Organized.

The Pleasant Unity National Bank was organized Thursday at a capitalization of \$25,000.

STRIKE COMMISSION.

Two Sightless and Badly Injured Miners Give Testimony.

INDEPENDENTS MAY SELL OUT.

Nothing Can Be Learned Regarding Reported Settlement Outside of Commission—Mr. MacVeagh Fears Testimony Will Increase Bitterness.

Scranton, Pa., Dec. 6.—The lawyers of the mine workers continued to call witnesses yesterday before the strike commission to testify to the alleged blacklisting methods pursued by several coal companies in refusing to re-employ strikers who took a more prominent part in the affairs of the mine workers' union during the recent suspension. All of them said they had been employed before the strike, but were refused their old places after the strike was ended. In most cases, according to the testimony, no satisfactory reason was given why they were not taken back. Two blind men, who were also otherwise badly injured by underground explosions, were presented as living evidence of the dangers in the mines. When the commission adjourned for the day the Rev. J. J. Curran, the Roman Catholic clergyman of Wilkesbarre, who took a prominent part in the miners' cause during the recent strike, was on the witness stand. Only one session was held to-day, adjournment being taken at 1 p. m.

Nothing could be learned here yesterday with reference to the reported efforts at a settlement outside the commission. None of the attorneys for either side professed to know anything about any contemplated move in that direction. Wayne McVeigh, who is representing the Erie coal properties, was the only attorney in a position to know who would talk about the matter. He left here, accompanied by Commissioner Parker, at 2:35 yesterday afternoon over the Lackawanna railroad for New York.

Amicable Settlement Problematic. Mr. McVeigh, before leaving, stated to the correspondent of the Associated Press that a majority of the operators thought it better to adjourn all efforts to reach by amicable conferences a basis for the award of the commission until both sides had presented all the testimony they wished to offer. Whether the efforts to reach such a basis will be then resumed can only be decided after the testimony is closed.

Mr. MacVeigh added that he possibly thought, in view of the extraordinary conditions existing in the anthracite region that this was a mistaken attitude for the operators to assume, as he feared each day's testimony would tend to increase the bitterness of feeling; but it was not only the right but the duty of the operators to act on their own judgment of the situation, and he sincerely hoped the result would fully justify the conclusion they reached.

From this expression it is taken that Mr. MacVeigh was opposed to the calling off of the negotiations last week. It is his sincere hope that an agreement will be effected, and it is known that the commissioners hope for an agreement on many if not all the important points at issue.

Independents May Sell.

Scranton, Pa., Dec. 6.—Recent events have given ground for the belief that the result of the negotiations now in progress will be the ultimate sale of the properties of the independent operators to the large coal carrying companies. This will not be done at once, but it is regarded here as certain to come in the not distant future, because it is believed to be the only solution of the present situation, and is the outcome which both the independents and the large companies desire. It is estimated that the collieries of the 67 independent operators can be purchased for \$145,000,000. These operators produce three-tenths of the total output of coal.

Millionaire Goes to Penitentiary.

St. Louis, Dec. 6.—After two days of trial, Charles J. Denny, the millionaire brewer and director in the Suburban Street Railway company, formerly a member of the house of delegates, charged with perjury in connection with the Suburban bill on the booze deal, was found guilty early yesterday evening, and his punishment fixed at two years in the penitentiary. The only defense offered by Judge Krum, attorney for Denny, was testimony in behalf of the defendant's good character.

Got Fifteen Years.

Philadelphia, Dec. 6.—George Dickinson, alias Wescott, the burglar who was arrested about ten days ago after a desperate fight with a policeman, and who was discovered by detectives to be a robber by night and a business man by day, was tried and convicted yesterday and sentenced to 15 years in the penitentiary. The police accused Dickinson of nearly sixty robberies, but could secure legal evidence in but 25 cases. It is said nearly \$10,000 worth of Dickinson's loot was recovered by the police.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Live News Notes Gathered From all Parts of the Town.

Christmas trees are being cut in the mountains.

The snow shovel has been busy the past few days.

Hon. R. E. Umbel was in town yesterday afternoon.

This will be the first Saturday of the real holiday shopping.

Samuel R. Fairchild of Scotland was a business caller in town Friday.

Complete line of fine cloaks bought at 66c on the dollar now on sale at The Fair.

W. E. Crow, Esq., of Uniontown was in town Friday night seeing friends, political and otherwise.

Miss Lida Dean of Uniontown is the guest of Miss Margaret Holmes at the Young House. Miss Dean will remain for a week or more.

J. P. Johnson, James R. Hochelmer and Clarence Crable of Uniontown were in town Thursday evening. They attended the firemen's pig roast in Leiderskrantz Hall.

Revival services are now running at the Methodist Protestant Church each evening at 7:30. Peterson, the great singer, is there, and has made a profound impression. He sings tonight.

Country wagons were peddling fresh pork and sausage on the streets. They had no trouble in selling their goods when the people understood what their wares were. Country pork is in demand.

Louis M. Mowbray, of the architecture firm of Mowbray & Uffinger of New York, designer of the handsome new First National Bank Building, was in town yesterday inspecting the finishing work on the building.

Superintendent Fife of the street railway company, says there is a marked increase in travel since the holiday season has opened. On the Division division of the road every car unloads a big crowd of shoppers here.

Christian Hinmiller, the Cumberland heavy weight fighter, has failed to answer the challenge of Engineer McLellan, of town, who challenged him for a six round bout some days ago. The forfeit money, deposited with the Pittsburgh Dispatch, will be withdrawn.

Very early next spring work will commence on widening the tracks of the Suburban division of the Pittsburgh, McKeesport & Connellville railway in the standard gauge. All the material has been ordered and the work will be started and hurried as soon as the weather will permit.

Four-Masted Schooner Wesley M. Oler Ashore and Crew Supposed Lost.

Hatteras N. C., Dec. 5.—The observer of the weather bureau reports that the four-masted schooner Wesley M. Oler went ashore at Hatteras Inlet life saving station early yesterday morning during the storm. She was pounding in the surf about a mile off shore until 8:20 a. m., when the foremast went over, carrying probably the last man. Almost immediately the vessel went to pieces. The life saving crew could do nothing to save the crew. No bodies have been washed ashore yet.

Norfolk Va., Dec. 6.—Reports received at Norfolk last night are to the effect that none of the ill-fated schooner Wesley M. Oler's crew escaped. Only one chance of a rescue is known. The German steamer Kohn, from Bremen to Baltimore reported the crew of the abandoned schooner aboard while entering the Cape yesterday.

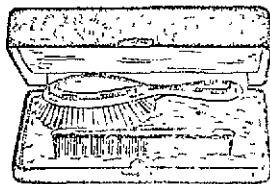
The three-masted schooners William D. Hilton and Melville Phillips, with several smaller craft, were blown ashore in the harbor and lower bay by yesterday's gale. The steamer Underwriter, which was towing the Oler from Nassau, has not been heard from and fears are entertained that she foundered in the gale. The crew of the schooner Ida Lawrence abandoned that vessel in a rudderless condition off Hatteras early yesterday, and was rescued with greatest difficulty by life savers.

Eight Inches of Snow.

Doston Dec. 6.—Snow to the depth of eight inches has fallen over the entire New England region. The storm apparently was severe in Southwest New England, where there was considerable wire congestion and delay in railroad traffic. New England received the full benefit of a northwestern gale, which in some places attained a velocity of 40 miles an hour. The only shipwreck reported was that of a schooner, which ran on Dog Ear breakwater in Gloucester harbor. No lives were lost. A fishing vessel from Boston, the James R. Clark, ran in the breakers off Manchester, Mass., yesterday afternoon, but she is expected to be pulled out of danger. Seven of the twelve men on board landed in safety. A bad railway wreck, due to the storm, occurred at South Ashburnham, in which one brakeman was killed and another fatally injured.

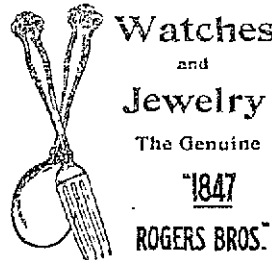
Destruction in Hampton Roads.

Newport News, Va., Dec. 6.—The terrific storm of wind and rain that struck this section early yesterday morning was the most destructive known in Hampton Roads in some time. One life was lost.



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Marietta Block, N. Pittsburg Street.

Union Stores.

The Retail Clerks' Protective Association desires to call your attention to the following list of Union Stores in Connellville, New Haven and vicinity. Organized labor believes these merchants are worthy of your patronage because they treat their employees in a Christian-like manner.

Leche, Buckmaster & Co., Dry Goods, H. & J. Kurtz, Dry Goods, Pennington & Frank, Dry Goods, McKeen & Hornell, Shoes, Boulding & Irwin, Shoes, Mace & Co., Department and Clothing.

Rhodes & Smith, Department Store, Florence Smith, Department Store, The Fair, Millinery and Dry Goods, R. & C. Kirk, Millinery.

Forster & Kirtz, Millinery, M. J. Davidson, Grocer, John Davidson, Grocer, W. H. Showman, Grocer, W. R. Scott, Grocer, J. R. Zimmerman, Grocer, J. M. Senhower, Grocer, J. R. Wortman, Grocer, Ira S. Friend, Grocer, Thomas S. Hazen, Grocer, Anchor Grocery, D. Sinclair, Grocer, C. H. Whitley, Grocer, A. E. Wagoner, Grocer, David Kling, Grocer, Marshall & Rist, Grocers, Leslie Brown, Grocer, John W. Brown, Dry Goods and Notions, McCrory, 5 and 10c Store, P. T. Evans, J. B. Skinner, Minnie Bron, Pittzner & Co.

The clerks believe that if you will investigate their claims you will conclude to

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A \$50,000 Stock

Will be on display, so you may have an opportunity to select your Christmas presents direct from the manufacturer. A chance of this sort is extraordinary. Remember this line will be at

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CONNELLVILLE THEATRE

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Prices: Matinee, 15 and 25c; Night, 25, 35, 50, 75c.

Seats on sale at Clarke's Jewelry Store.

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The well known eyesight Specialist and owner of the Next Door Jewelry Store of Main street, New Haven. He can sell his Furniture cheaper than any other store in the whole region. WHY?

Because he doesn't need to draw a living out of it.

Because he works himself at the watchmaker bench.

Because, he in a specially built refracting room, tests the eyes.

Because he has all the improved instruments and machines for grinding the lenses that he so carefully and scientifically prescribes, and makes his living out of his profession.

Because he is in New Haven, where the rent is low, and his entire expense is very small.

Because he buys for spot cash.

Because he wants to gain the confidence of the people in the Furniture business, as he has succeeded in the Optical and Jewelry business.

If all these facts convince you that all we say is true, call and see, even if you have to pay 2 cents for the bridge toll.

The New Haven Furniture Store has cheap as well as very fine goods. For the poor as well as for the rich. Not to come means a good many hard earned dollars out of your pocket.

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Hundreds have called at our store during the past few days, and not only have they expressed much delight over our line of

Fine Cut Glass

but have ordered many pieces for Christmas gifts. We still have an excellent assortment of these goods which we will be pleased to show you.

C. L. Clarke,

North Pittsburg Street. CONNELLVILLE, PA.

FAST APPROACHING.

Crisis Between Venezuela and the Powers Cannot be Long Averted.

UNITED STATES IS WATCHFUL.

With Fleets of Powers Hovering Outside Venezuelan Ports International Complications Might Be Precipitated by a Blunder—Foreign Notes.

Washington, Dec. 6.—When the fast approaching crisis between Venezuela and Germany and England, who are preparing to coerce the South American republic into the payment of her international obligations, arrives, the moral influence of the United States will probably be thrown toward a peaceful settlement of the difficulty. While there is no objection on the part of this government to the forcible collection of the debt on the lines of procedure already proposed by Germany, there is a strong feeling that the United States would do well to go far in using its good offices to avert the imminent embroilment.

With powerful fleets of German and English warships hovering outside Venezuelan ports, international complications might easily be precipitated by a blunder on the part of a commander. The South American situation, involved as it is with the Monroe doctrine, is extremely delicate and an international blunder, even though followed by no serious result, would be harmful to the policies of the United States.

Caracas, Venezuela, Dec. 6.—The German cruisers *Gazelle* and *Panther* and the German training ship *Stech* have arrived at Willemstad, island of Curaçao.

GERMAN BLOW AT AMERICA.

Reichstag Resolutions Portend Commercial War.

Berlin, Dec. 6.—Baron Hryl von Herrenkheim, Count von Kanitz and Baron von Wardenburg, together with 81 Conservative, National-Liberal and Anti-Semite members of the reichstag, introduced a resolution yesterday directly aimed at the United States.

The resolution asks Chancellor von Bülow, before renewing the commercial treaties, to serve notice on any country not giving German goods fair reciprocity treatment that the existing most favored nation privileges will be discontinued in its case when the general commercial treaties are renewed.

Liberal critics point out that if the above leads to a tariff war Germany will get worsted, since the United States is able to get manufactured goods from England and France, which Germany is now supplying, whereas Germany must have American raw materials, petroleum, etc.

GENERAL FOREIGN NEWS.

London, Dec. 6.—A dispatch from St. Petersburg to the Daily Express says that in the riots which occurred recently at Rostoff the troops fired on the workmen, killing twenty of them.

Panama, Colombia, Dec. 6.—A revolutionary movement is threatened in Honduras. General Sierra has been induced to refuse to turn over the presidential power to Señor Bonilla, who was elected president in October.

London, Dec. 6.—The board of agriculture has intimated its willingness to remove the embargo on cattle arriving from New England ports whenever the American department of agriculture considers that the outbreak is suppressed.

Panama, Colombia, Dec. 6.—As a result of the pacification of the Isthmus of Panama, President Zelaya, of Nicaragua, has sent a special envoy to San Salvador with a proposal for a defensive alliance should Colombia demand an explanation of Nicaragua's action in rendering active assistance to the Colombian revolutionists.

Paris, Dec. 6.—The chamber of deputies last night adopted, by 537 votes to 14, the new sugar law, of which the principal provision reduces the tax on refined sugar to 25 francs per 220 pounds as a compensation for the abolition of the sugar bounties under the Brussels convention. The senate yesterday adopted the bill authorizing the participation of France in the St. Louis exposition.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 6.—Prince Dolgorouff, chairman of the Soudja district, has been deposed and subjected to police supervision for five years, and has been forbidden to engage in any public activity on account of the revolutionary resolutions which were adopted by the local agricultural commission. The town of Soudja immediately conferred upon the prince its freedom and gave him a banquet.

Charged with Manslaughter.
Chicago, Dec. 6.—Fred A. Smith, proprietor of the Lincoln hotel, in which 14 men were smothered to death Thursday night, and Night Clerk E. C. Weber were arraigned in the Harrison street police court yesterday morning on a charge of manslaughter as accessories before the fact. The men were arrested Thursday evening at the instigation of Coroner Truogger and Chief of Police O'Neil. Alderman John J. Brennan signed bail bonds for their appearance and they were in custody out a short time.

DUN'S WEEKLY TRADE REVIEW.

Irregularity in the Iron and Steel Market—Business Activity Exceeds Previous Years.

New York, Dec. 6.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly review, issued to-day, says in part:

Aside from the interruption to retail trade in winter goods at many points by unseasonable weather, business activity continues in excess of previous years, and it is probable that all the postponed trade will be made up now that low temperature has been general. While the warmest November on record at the east affected sales of clothing, it helped to restore the fuel equilibrium. Manufacturing plants are well engaged, and an evidence of the successful season is found in much larger Fall River dividends.

The course of commodity prices is shown by Dun's Index number, which was 100.149 on December 1, against 99.579 on November 1, and 101.378 on December 1, 1901. Higher prices for dairy and garden products account for the rise during November, but it is particularly gratifying to the consumer that the present level is nearly 1 per cent lower than at the corresponding date last year. This change is also in foodstuffs, where the cost of living was abnormally expanded by short crops in 1901.

Record demands for lightweight wools are limited and there is much conservatism in placing spring business because of the slowness with which seasonable goods are moving, owing to heavy initial orders. However, mills are busy. A further advance in raw wool gives a better value to the finished product but selling prices are without alteration.

Irregularity in reports in the iron and steel market, most departments having much business, while a few are seeking new orders and soon disposed to make slight concessions. Stability is naturally most conspicuous in those divisions where it has been possible to prevent inflation, while in cases of extreme pressure and high premiums for early delivery, the impact that have been attracted hither have a demoralizing influence.

In view of the scarcity of coke, it is not easy for steel producers to meet this foreign competition, and when any material reduction is made it may be found that foreign concerns will also cut prices. Thus far however, only a slight tendency is noted in the direction of cheaper iron, and in such products as rails and structural material the consumer cannot hope for early concessions. As it is well known that much business is held back by high prices, there is no prospect of distress in the near future. Any decided collection of quotations would bring out these postponed orders. Consequently the only disturbing feature in this industry continues to be the inadequate supply of fuel, and even the most sanguine do not anticipate a return of normal conditions before spring.

Farm products are remarkably well sustained, considering the liberal quantities moving to market.

Statistics of failures during November disclose no weakness in the industrial structure. On the contrary, there is every evidence of strength.

THE NEW YORK STOCK MARKET.

Day's Trading Was Small and Without Significance—Bonds Dull and Irregular.

New York, Dec. 6.—The various restrictive influences which have brought down the volume of activity in the stock market had an addition yesterday in the stormy weather. The net results of the day's trading were extremely small. The market was really without significance.

So far as the sentiment of the day was manifest, the anxiety over the future of the money market was still evident. The forecast of the weekly bank statement fully justified this feeling. The banks have apparently lost nearly \$7,000,000 from their cash reserves during the week. It will be remembered that last week's loss was understated in the bank statement by nearly \$2,000,000 by reason of the working of the average system of computation. The movement of currency has been in favor of the interior again to the extent of nearly \$900,000, including the deposits at the sub-treasury for telegraphic transfer to the interior. The balance of the loss is made up of customs and internal revenue payments and the \$1,000,000 exported to South America. There is the usual obscurity regarding the changes in the loan item of the banks. There has been nothing in the stock market to indicate extensive liquidation of loans. The change in that item is likely to depend on syndicate operations and on movements in the foreign exchange market. Tension in the time money market has appreciably grown during the week, but call loan rates showed a tendency to relax yesterday. This was partly due to the lightness of the demand. The week's exports of grain show a rising tendency, promising some relief from that source for the foreign exchange situation.

Steamer Burned.

Philadelphia, Dec. 6.—The steamer *Saxon*, of the Boston and Philadelphia Steamship company, was burned at her dock at midnight last night. The vessel is a total loss. The fire originated in the engine room, and Captain Briggs and the crew of 21 men aided the local fire department in fighting the flames.

Dairy and Food Figures.

Harrisburg, Dec. 6.—The annual report of Dairy and Food Commissioner Cope was yesterday submitted to Governor Stone. The report shows the following revenues under the several laws from January 1 to December 1, 1902: For oleomargarine licenses, \$23,477.04; under oleomargarine law, fines and costs, \$8,463.93; under the renovated butter law, fines and costs, \$578.58; under the milk act, fines and costs, \$1,122.24; under the cheese act, fines and costs, \$327.50; under the pure food act, fines and cost, \$6,725.04; under the lard act, costs, \$23.00; under the vinegar act, fines and costs, \$327.05; for renovated butter licenses, \$766.67. Total, \$41,633.50.

Governor Stone's Prompt Action.

Harrisburg, Dec. 6.—Governor Stone has taken prompt action to raise the quarantine which has been ordered by Governor Yates, of Illinois, against Pennsylvania cattle on account of the foot and mouth disease which exists among cattle in the New England states. Governor Stone wrote a letter to Governor Yates yesterday protesting against his action, and advising him that there has been no such disease in this state since 1882, that there has been none in New York, and there is none and has been none in New Jersey.

Six Miles of New Railroad.

Harrisburg, Dec. 6.—A charter was issued by the state department yesterday to the York Haven and Rowena Railroad company to build a line from York Haven, York county, to the mouth of the Codorus creek, thence across the Susquehanna river to Rowena, Lancaster county. The line will be six miles long, and will serve as connecting link for the new line to be built by the Pennsylvania Railroad company for through freight between Pittsburg and Philadelphia.

Ohio Mothers' Congress.

Columbus, O., Dec. 6.—The Ohio Mothers' Congress closed its annual convention here yesterday, after electing the following officers: President, Mrs. Joseph A. Jeffrey, Columbus; recording secretary, Mrs. Martin Strickberger, Cleveland; corresponding secretary, Mrs. D. F. Harris, Columbus; and Mrs. N. C. Coe, Stuart, Cleveland; treasurer, Mrs. Ellen Jones, Toledo. The next convention will be held at Cleveland, in October, 1903.

Syndicate to Furnish Gold.

London, Dec. 6.—It is reported that a syndicate of New York syndicate is proposed to furnish the government with sufficient gold to establish a new gold standard here. The syndicate is \$10,000,000. Some local bankers claim half of that amount would be ample. There is a strong sentiment in favor of retaining the silver dollars, although giving them a nominal value.

Connellsville Real Estate Bulletin, Office, 201 W. Main Street, Connellsville, Pa.

Eight houses for rent in South Connellsville, Pa.; 1, 7 and 8 rooms. Houses and lots for sale in all sections of town.
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Call at office if you have anything to sell or want to purchase a farm, a house, a lot, or rent a house, or we will look after the renting of your property.

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This is to inform our friends and the public generally, that J. E. Sims is

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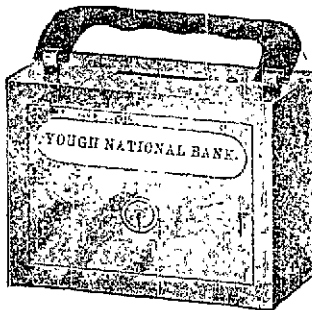
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DIRECTORS:
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W. H. Brown, F. T. Adams,
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WEATHER FORECAST

Ohio—Fair to-day, except snow flurries along the lake. To-morrow fair, fresh, west winds, diminishing.
 Western Pennsylvania—Snow flurries to-day. To-morrow fair, fresh, west to northwest winds.
 West Virginia—Fair to-day and to-morrow.

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PUBLICITY FOR TRUSTS

The Congress lost no time in acting on the suggestion contained in the President's message that the big corporations commonly called trusts should be compelled by law to make public statements at stated intervals after the manner of national banks showing their assets and liabilities, their gains and losses and their capital, surplus and undivided profits.

Such statements regularly made will have the effect of guarding against mismanagement, creating and maintaining public confidence, placing the stocks of good companies upon a firm and stable footing and preventing their manipulation in Wall street.

The advantages of publicity are so many and manifest that we are inclined to think that they far outweigh any disadvantages in the matter of trade relations that may ensue and we will not be surprised to see the biggest of the trusts welcome the proposed law upon its passage.

A LAME APOLOGY

The esteemed News does not think the members of Town Council should be criticised "simply because they see fit to meet when it suits them."

The public will probably look at the matter from a different point of view especially when it is made apparent that the public business is being neglected if not actually evaded.

They can have business of their own to look after," says The News. That is true but when they accept the position of Councilmen they ought to look after the borough's business too and on no account sacrifice it to the pleasure of hunting.

The members who wanted to hunt were Democrats. Had they been Republicans, it would not have been deemed necessary to change the meeting night.

The Independent and the Democrat of Waynesburg are excellent neighbors. The latter borrows the former's railroad news, type and all and the editors probably swap tobacco.

The Brownsville Clipper has hopes of the consolidation of the two boroughs over there that make one town, being divided only by Dunlap's creek, which dries up in summer and freezes over in winter. The Courier has hoped during these many years for something of a like nature here, and we still have hopes.

The Uniontown Standard shifts its ground and talks vaguely about the big "coal sales" in Southern Fayette county. This has nothing to do with the original question. The center of the Connellsville coke region remains at Connellsville.

The proposed Ohio river improvement has taken definite shape in Congress but it involves the expenditure of an enormous amount of money and it is problematical whether it ever gets beyond the survey stage.

Germany is always threatening war commercial and otherwise. Some day that chip on Wilhelms' shoulder will get a rude jostle.

The News so seldom has any telegraphic matter that it must be excused for getting rattled over that hotel fire in Chicago which it located in New York and published with scare head-

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 Hundreds of styles that no other store has.

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SERMONS TOMORROW.

What the Ministers Will Preach on From the Local Pulpits.

UNITED BRETHREN'S MEETINGS.

They Will be Held All of the Coming Week—Revival Services Also Being Held at the Methodist Protestant Church.

Special meetings and services are being held this week in the new United Brethren Church on Crawford avenue. The subjects for tomorrow's sermons will be "The Doctrine of Regeneration" at 10.30 o'clock A. M. and "The Doctrine of Sanctification" at 7.30 P. M. The subject of Monday evening's sermon will be "Holiness," Tuesday, "The Baptism of the Holy Spirit and What it Does," Wednesday, "The Necessity and Possibility of the Baptism of the Holy Spirit," Thursday, "The Baptism with the Holy Spirit Obtained," Friday, "How Spiritual Power is Lost," Sunday, December 14th at 7.30 P. M. a sermon on "Consecration" followed by consecration services.

A male quartet composed of E. S. Macgregor, William M. Griffiths, Frank C. Hicks and S. R. Mason, will sing at the Christian Church at 10.30 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. tomorrow. In the morning there will also be a solo by Miss Oleo Murland, "Like as a Father Pleth His Children." In the evening Mr. Hicks will sing "Eternal Day."

South Connellsville Evangelical Church. Preaching at 10.30 A. M. Sunday School at 2.30 P. M.; prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7.30. Y. P. A. Friday evening at 7.45. All are welcome. W. H. McLaughlin, pastor.

Services are held every Sunday at the Immaculate Conception Church, corner East Main and Prospect streets. Masses at 7.30 and 9, and High Mass at 10.30 A. M. Vespers at 7.30 P. M. Rev. John T. Burns, pastor. Rev. P. Brennan, assistant pastor.

The pastor, Rev. J. C. Cobb, will preach at 10.30 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. in the South Side Baptist Church. Sunday school at 2 P. M. All are invited to these services.

Trinity Reformed Church, corner Pittsburg and Green streets, Sunday. Sunday School 9.30 A. M.; services at 10.30 A. M. and 7.30 P. M.; Christian Endeavor at 6.30 P. M. A. J. Heller, pastor.

United Brethren Church Crawford avenue, W. V. Barnhart, pastor. Services in Kooser's Hall, South Pittsburg street. Sunday School at 9 A. M.; preaching at 10.30 A. M., Y. P. C. U. Society 6.30 P. M.; preaching at 7.30 P. M., prayer meeting on Wednesday evening at 7.30.

Sunday announcement, the First Methodist Protestant Church, Rev. W. H. Gladden, minister. Revival services all day, and each evening next week, Professor Peterson leading the chorus. All are cordially invited.

Christian Church, Rev. W. R. Warren, pastor. Preaching Sunday at 10.30 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. The singing will be led by a strong choir, which will also render special music at each service. Other services as usual.

On Sunday next the Rev. Dr. Cartwright will conduct divine services and preach in Trinity Church, New Haven, in the morning at 10.30, and in St. John's German Lutheran Church, Connellsville, in the evening at 7.30. At each service a full attendance is desired to hear the Advent sermons, and an important announcement.

The Baptist Church will meet next Sunday in the chapel of the new church. The pastor, T. J. Edwards, will preach at 10.30 A. M. on "Modern Gods," and at 7.30 P. M. on "The Two Seeds." Bible School at 9.30 A. M. Young People's service at 6.40 P. M.

Reception by Woman's Guild. The Woman's Guild of Trinity Church, New Haven, have arranged for a reception and sale at the residence of Mrs. Alex. Johnston, Washington avenue, Connellsville, from 4 to 9 o'clock P. M. There will be an ample supply of refreshments, a variety of useful and ornamental articles for sale, and full opportunity for social intercourse. The members of the Guild cordially invite their friends and the public to participate in the pleasure of this reception. Their presence will be welcome, and their patronage appreciated.

South Connellsville. John Pierce has gone up the Yough to work for C. D. Yowler at his sand bank.

No doubt people here are acting very wisely in abandoning the use of their well water and getting the city water in. It is quite reasonable to suppose that our well water is responsible for much of the sickness in our village.

J. Richard O'Neal has traded his famous coon dog for a graphophone

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Live News Notes Gathered From all Parts of the Town.

J. N. McJilton, B. & O. Claim Agent, was in town last night.

Thirty-three per cent. reduction on all millinery at the great sale at The Fair.

H. G. Whitsett, a former Fayette county man, now a coal operator at Dugger, Ind., was here last night.

If you want a good first-class bobbed call at the office of the Youghiogheny Lumber Yard, New Haven, Pa. Mace & Co. herewith inform the public that from the 12th to the 26th of December no coupons for photographs will be issued.

At the Y. M. C. A. Men's meeting Sunday at 3.30 P. M., the delegates to the recent District Convention at Greensburg will present their report and a cordial invitation is extended to all men to attend.

S. R. Devore, who conducted a boarding house at 219 Water street for the past year, has moved with his family to Oliphant where he is engaged as head clerk in the Union Supply Company store at that place.

In relating the last deaths from smallpox in Connellsville prior to that of F. N. Frum in yesterday's Daily Courier the statement was made that two men died 20 years ago in a boarding house on Water street where the Baltimore House now stands. It should have read near the Baltimore House, the location being across Peach street. The old Tribune office stood at the corner of Peach and Water streets 20 years ago.

Big Shipment of Wool.

W. L. Cowell and J. W. Closser, wool merchants of Waynesburg, shipped to Stone & Christie, Philadelphia, last week, 200,000 pounds of Greene county wool, for which they received 30 cents a pound at Waynesburg. This week Closser is shipping 100,000 pounds more, which is owned individually and for which he receives 32 cents per pound there. These gentlemen had good faith in the outlook for wool and stored their purchases made earlier this season. By the recent sales they realize a handsome profit. Closser says he is willing to engage all of the new Greene county clip of 1903 at 30 cents per pound.

Real Estate Sales.

The Connellsville Real Estate Company have made the following sales of East End Acre Gardens, transfers by deed of which were made yesterday. To Little Campbell Lot No. 11, \$275; to John Keck, Lot No. 6, \$400; to Mrs. Mary Stickle, Lot No. 15, \$250. They also sold for John H. Moreland a lot at Gibson to Jacob Weimer for \$350. Weimer will build a double dwelling house in the spring.

Organization Meeting.

The stockholders of the Silgo Iron & Steel Company are holding a meeting at the First National Bank this afternoon. It is for the purpose of organizing by electing officers and Directors to fill the places of those now serving in the company as it exists in Pittsburg. Joseph McConnell, who will probably be elected Manager of the Connellsville plant, is present at the meeting.

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A Special Announcement.

For the next 20 days I am going to make a special effort to increase my business double the amount of any other month in the past year, which has been very good, and to do this I realize that something very interesting to the purchasing public must be done, I therefore purpose to sell at a special price any and all the fine lot of Pianos and Organs purchased by me for this Holiday trade (no second-hand goods, not bought from some retailing dealer that had a lot of shop worn goods left over from last season, but fresh new goods bought especially for this month's trade). I invite you to call at my music parlors, 115 South Pittsburg street, Connellsville, and see my line and get my prices, and I will convince you that I can and will sell you more quality and beauty for a dollar than any other dealer in this part of the State.

S. R. MASON,
LEADING DEALER,
Connellsville, Pa.

OPEN EVENINGS.

DUNN'S CASH STORES.

Still after the Men

If these men will only ask their women folks where they want their Christmas Gifts to come from they'll find that this store has the preference above others. They'll find out there's an added value to the gift when it's known to have come from this store, and the women will know, too, for there's lots of women in this vicinity who have a habit of saying "When I want a good dress I go to Dunn's." You've heard this remark as often as we have. Telling you men folks these things because we want you to make this store your Christmas Store, because if you come in now we'll have more time to help you with your selections. We've lots of good gift goods here besides those that are found at the Dress Goods Counter, but for the reason that nothing you could buy would be more appreciated than enough goods for a dress or a skirt or a waist, we have used so much newspaper space to interest the men in these goods. Another reason, it's something that men don't usually buy, and for that reason it will be a bigger surprise when Christmas arrives. You can have your gift from this department cost you from \$2.50 up as high as you care to go. Linings and trimmings selected for you, too, if you want us to. Here's how one dress would count up: Six yards of our \$1.50 Broadcloth, black and every staple color, that's \$9.00; 6 yards of lining, a good salesia at 15c a yard, that's 90c; or if you want silk lined, 8 yards of yard wide taffeta at \$1.25, that's \$10.00, make your present cost you from \$9.90 up to \$19.00. That's just one suggestion that we tell you about. We'll put in all you need for the dress or waist you select, figure it up and show you just what the entire cost will be of any piece of goods in our stock if you'll come in and give us the opportunity.

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CHRISTMAS-COMING.

It's none too soon to start your preparations, either. There's many odd little things about the store you can pick up at a small price that will make excellent gifts. Now is the time to get them, others will be picking them out if you wait too long.

Winter Is Now Starting in Earnest.

You hadn't thought or didn't know before just exactly what you need for winter. We have most everything you can or will need for winter protection—Comforts, Blankets, Men's and Boys' Sweaters, Shoes, Hose, Caps, Rubbers and Boots, Ladies' Skirts and Jackets, Infants' Coats, Etc., If you forgot or neglected these things before, now is none too soon to get them.

Men's Sweaters.

Men's, Young Men's and Little Men's Sweaters. There is no better protection in winter.

Men's Cotton Sweaters at 18c. All-wool ones at 75c, worth \$1.00. Others a bit heavier, choice of navy and white, royal and white or red and white at \$1.25. Others value them at \$1.75.

Men's Overalls.

You will find them really wearable, union made, 49c. Railroad, union made, 75c.

Overshoes, Rubber and Felt Boots.

Good foot protection is necessary to preserve good health. When out of doors you need either Overshoes or Boots. We offer you a very extensive line to select from. A few prices will give you an idea of the cost.

Children's and Misses Overshoes, sizes 9 to 2, 33c values at 25c. Ladies' low cut at 25c, and the storm ones at 35c. Bring 50c at ordinary stores.

Out-of-door workers need rubber or felt boots. Rubber ones at \$2.25, value \$3.00. The one-buckle felt at \$1.50, value \$2.00. Two-buckle, somewhat heavier, high top, white leg, value \$3.00, our price \$2.25.

Dishes, Chinaware, Etc.

We have quite a few odd lots of Dishes—need the space they occupy for Christmas goods. We've set a price on them that will quickly move them—that is if price is any object to you.

Tulsa Englishware Tureens, marked 75 to 80c, now 18c. English Porcelain Teapots, marked 65c, now 18c. Soup Plates, the pretty blue ware, marked 12c, now 10c. English Englishware Plates, marked 72c the set of six, now 50c. Many other nice things, you'll find them half way back on the left. We have some unique things in Tea Sets—you'll know why when you see them. Six-piece fancy gold-rimmed, worth \$1.25, the price is 98c. Something out of the ordinary are the German Chocolateware Sets at 50c. Water Sets at 98c and up.

A few very pretty Parlor Lamps—since they're called. The low prices we put on them will certainly mean a sale if you see them and need one.

An extra beautiful \$15 Lamp goes for \$7.98. A fine 24-inch \$10 Lamp at \$5.95.

Some other nice ones at \$3.25. Another lot—not cheap lamps, but lamps cheap—99c.

A few other things we might mention—Coco Door Mats keep mud out of the house—49c to 85c.

Don't forget on next time you need a Chair Seat, 14 to 18-in. 5c to 10c.

Ladies' Jackets,

There's quality in them, \$2.48, \$3.75, \$4.98. You cannot get as good elsewhere at less than a half more.

For a for youngsters from 4 to 14 years \$1.25 up to \$4.80.

Infants' short Coats, 59c, 99c, \$1.25, \$1.98.

Ladies' Dress Skirts, \$1.99, \$2.99, \$1.98.

New York Racket Store,

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166 W. Main St.,

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Shoe Your Boys

There never were more styles to choose from than now. The new Winter shapes and weights are here.

There isn't any better wearing, better fitting or more satisfactory shoes sold than ours. Nothing spared to make them wear. There never will be a time when you can buy and be suited in every way better than now. The saving our prices afford should bring parents here without delay.

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THE PRIDE OF THE WEST

A Modern Cafe for Ladies and Gentlemen.

BISHOP & KEEGER, Props.

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Funeral Director and Embalmer.

Store, Bell Phone 158. Tri-State Phone 245. Residence, Bell Phone 150.

REAL BARGAINS ARE SCARCE

Yet at our store there are a few real bargains in Furniture left from the Closing Out Sale. These must go at once to enable us to make improvements at our place for

EXCLUSIVE UNDERTAKING

which we will follow at our old place of business.

MORRIS & CO.,

Both Phones. 242 NORTH PITTSBURG STREET. CHAS. C. MITCHELL, Funeral Director and Embalmer.

FUN WITH MARK TWAIN

Advance Obituary Notices
Written of Him by Some
Fellow Literary Lights.

DINKELSPIEL'S WARM TRIBUTE.

Humorist's Friend says, Mark is "Der
Besd Choke Gracker Efer Coaxed a
Smile to der Outside uf der Face
und Keht it Dare."

When Mark Twain, the humorist, recently sent an advertisement about his obituary notices to the editor of Harper's Weekly, he stated that he wants the record exactly straight before he goes. He has seen the folly of departing before one's obituary notices are correctly edited, and he desires to adopt the only reasonable method of assuring the proper supervision of such matter—namely, the editing of it himself.

In recognition of the practical value of this novel undertaking the New York World has obtained a number of advance obituary notices of Mr. Twain from certain persons who are his contemporaries in the genial task of making smiles. Here are some of them:

D. Dinkelspiel, per George V. Hobart, says:

Ad der age uf ninety-seven dare has passed into der pure vite light of memory a chentleman vich labored many years under der name of Mark Twain.

He vas a chokeist, yun uf der most successful laugh givers der world has efer witnessed, but "nisi nisi borax," as ve say in der Latin.

Id is mit him today as id has been many dimes mit some of his chokes, "regule-cat in passe."

Several years before he finally decided to walk down der long lane dot has no turning Mark hat a conversation mit der author of dese latter words.

"Dinky," set Mark, offering himself a long, plack cigar, vich he politely accepted, "dare vas now no pupple to look ad us. Ve vas alone, far from der madding throng. Darefore led us enchoy ourselfs as tree humorists, ches and dicens der supcheekt uf tombstones."

"As you vish so id is, Mark," I murmured, mit a sour glance.

"Ven I go down by der river Stricks to took a ride in der boat built by Chon Kendrick Fungus, I vish to leave behind me a epitlaugh on my tombstone," set Mark, breathing deeply on his cigar.

Id vas a solemn moment, und I yatted for id to pass away.

"Could you, Dinky, sucheest a epitlaugh for my tombstone ven Mother Earth respers 'Id is time to go to press mit your form, Mark?'"

"I hope der consummation so devoutly wished vll nefer offertook you, Mark," I set earnestly. "Bud here is der epitlaugh for your tombstone ven der necessity drives you to id:

"Vll here below you tugged us no
Und make us laugh der vite,
So now mit choy your time employ
To make der angels snarl!"

"To dis, Mark, I could add der sweet assurance of a hand mit der digitals finger pointed upward, und under der hand I could put der legend, 'Nod Dead, but Chokeing!'"

Den mit knuckle to knuckle ve grasped each udder's hands un vent our vays. Und now to dink vot a sat, sat, bidden task is mine to write der obituary of a man dot nefer dit me any harm in his life. Mark Twain started dis life during his boyhood days. He attended der school of experience und graduated darcfrom mit several hard knocks to his credit, bud id vos nod until he vent into der playwrighting pitzness dot he efer felt der full force of a hard knock. Mark leaves behind him two sons, Huckleberry Finn und Tom Sawyer, both of vich refused to took der father's name for pitzness reasons.

Mark vas born mit a twinkie in his eye vich he afterwards transferred to his fountain pen, also for pitzness reasons. He is der author of many goot chokes, vittiskisms und bong mots vich some of our famous humoristtes have written since. He also wrote a book, maybe two or three books, bud dey vas too successful to be advertised so ve doan'd read must about dem.

Mark has many dings to his credit, bud der most uf dese is der noble fact dot mit temptationment efer clumping up to bite him on der shinbone he steadfastly refused to become a dilectionist. Und dare led us leave him, mit der digitals finger on his tombstone pointing upward, ve hope nod in vain. To some der bidden idea may come dot der finger has a poor knowledge uf localities, bud to such as dem ve say, "Futch!"

Dare, mit de mauve light vich is der essence of vell remembered laughter playing hide und seek mit his memory led us leave him—der besd choke cracker dot efer coaxed a smile to der outside uf der face und keht id dare.

THE COUNTERFEITERS

Will Hold the Boards at Connellsville Theatre Tonight.

Carl A. Haswin's new production, "The Counterfeiters," will be seen at the Connellsville Theatre tonight. The play is a genuine hit and a real



YOU'RE IN THE COUNTERFEITERS DEN

success. Not only is it magnificently mounted and acted but the drama has made a sensation. The raid on the counterfeiters' den is startling in the extreme, calling forth from seven to ten recalls nightly.

The Charles Edwards Stock Company will open in "The Power of Wealth," Monday, December 8th. This company will present strong plays at popular prices. A change of the bill each night. Eight big vaudeville acts will be presented between the acts. Tuesday night the Mormon play, "Utah," will be presented, and Wednesday night the border drama, "Jesse James." Ladies can secure the best reserve seat tickets on the opening night for 15c. Prices 10, 25 and 30c.

The positive demand for the legitimate drama, rendered in an adequate manner, has literally forced the production of Shakespeare's most beloved play, "Romeo and Juliet." The Simville presentation of the beautiful love story will be staged and costumed in such a manner as to delight the eye of the most exacting playgoer. Everything, scenery, costumes, properties and effects, will all be made specially for this one complete production to be given at the Connellsville Theatre, Thursday, December 11th.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Live News Notes Gathered From all Parts of the Town.

The great clock sale at The Fair

The longest line of line waiting at The Fair.

The snow shovel was in evidence yesterday.

There is not too much snow for the small boy with the sled.

P. C. Moore of Dawson was a caller in town Thursday evening.

H. L. Thomas of Uniontown was among the callers in town Thursday.

Buy your Monte Carlo coats at one on the dollar at the great sale at the Fair.

It looks like a white Christmas, but then the weather man is a fickle fellow.

J. H. Harris, a lumber dealer of Scottsdale, was circulating in the local business world Friday afternoon.

Skates are glittering in the hardware store windows and the small boy anxiously scans the Dare Devil Yough for signs of a freeze-up.

Miss Mae McClure formerly Superintendent at the Cottage State Hospital, was the guest Friday of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Sims, North Pittsburg street.

Local physicians say there are more coughs and colds in tow, than there have been for a number of years. None of them, however, seem to superinduce any very serious illness.

Morris & Co. are preparing to partition off their store room at Pittsburg and Peach streets so as to have more commodious quarters when they discontinue their furniture business for undertaking exclusively.

Messrs. Campbell & Wilson received the charter for the new Campbell & Wilson Company, Friday. A meeting will be held in a short time when officers will be elected and other details of organization attended to.

Clyde Abraham, formerly of Dunbar, Cadet at West Point from this Congressional district, was a sub in the game with the Naval Academy at Franklin Field, Philadelphia, last Saturday when the Army defeated the Navy, 23 to 5.

Charles Love, who was drowned in the Monongahela river at Rice's Landing on Thursday was a relative of Rev. W. H. Gladden, pastor of the Methodist Protestant Church of Connellsville. Neither Love's nor Rock's body has been recovered.

Next Monday evening the Connellsville Reading Room and Gymnasium will be organized. The promoters, G. E. Fox and E. G. Atkinson have a large membership on the rolls. The objects of this organization have previously been mentioned in these columns.

CONNELLVILLE THEATRE.

FRED ROBBINS, Manager.

Three Days, commencing
Monday, Dec. 8, 9 and 10,

CHAS. F. EDWARDS
STOCK COMPANY,

Management of SAM CARLTON,
Presenting Grand Productions at Popular
Prices.

OPENING BILL.

The Power
of Wealth.
Utah,
Jesse James.

8—BIG SPECIALTIES—8

New Songs and Dances.

Magnificent Costumes, Special Scenery.

A Dollar Show for 10, 20, 30c.

Ladies' Bargain Tickets opening night, admitting ladies to best seats for 15 cents. It presented before 7 P. M. at reserved seat sale at Clarke's Jewelry Store.

Christmas
Suggestion.

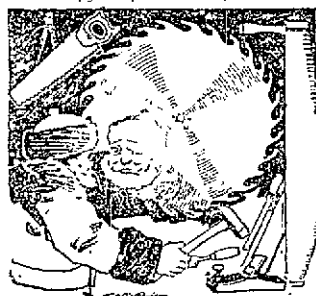
The best possible present,
and one forever to be enjoyed,
would be a building lot.

Thirty beautiful, level lots
will be sold from now till
Christmas at special low prices
upward of \$125; \$10 down
and balance on easy payments.
And we have a list
of Real Estate bargains, positively
money making opportunities.
Whether it is a
home, a lot or a farm you
wish to buy, sell or lease,
come and see us; if you can't
come, send for us and we'll
come and talk it over.

KOBACKER'S,
REAL ESTATE AGENTS.

Christmas
Brightness.

The stock has been given a holiday
turn and the things that are reasonably
occupy the positions of prominence.



Until this big gathering of

HARDWARE

Is seen it will be hard to realize that
useful things can be made so pretty
and pretty things so useful. House-
keeping friends will appreciate a gift
of any of these serviceable and really
handsome articles.

The children are not forgotten either.

THE TURNER HARDWARE &
SUPPLY CO., Ltd.,

116 West Main Street.

Our Holiday
Goods
Are Arriving.

It is now time to make
up your mind what you
will buy your friends for
Christmas presents.

We will have a big line
of the latest novelties.

W. E. Tannehill & Bro.
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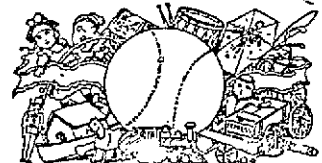
ONE PRICE AND CASH.

L. B. & CO.

Christmas. 106 New Year's.

Now is the Time.
This is the Place.
Here Are the Toys.

Our Toy and Holiday Department is now open in full
force. Toys for the babies, small boys or girls and games for
everybody. Mechanical Toys, Building Blocks, Story Books,
Christmas and New Year Cards, Toy Furniture, Iron Toys,
Magic Lanterns, Steam En-
gines, Drums, Sleds, Doll
Baby Swings, Rocking
Horses, China Dishes,
China and Glass Orna-
ments, Dressed Dolls,
Crokinole Boards, Toy Pi-
anos, Imported Statuary,
Tool Chests, Blackboards.



These goods are now ready for your inspection. Come
early and so avoid the rush sure to be here the last few days
before Christmas.

HANDKERCHIEFS, Ladies', Men's and Children's, 5c
to \$3.50.

Our 10c Ladies' embroidered, hemstitched Handkerchiefs
look like the regular 25c ones.

TOILET SETS, Military Brushes, Hand Glasses.

LADIES' GLOVES—Kid Gloves, \$1 and \$1.50.
Mansish Gloves for Ladies, the latest thing in the market,
fully guaranteed, \$1 and \$1.50.

Golf Gloves, 25c to 50c.

TABLE LINEN, Napkins and Fine Towels make very
acceptable Christmas presents.

Store Open Monday and Saturday Evenings.

New Idea Patterns 10c.

LECHE, BUCKWALTER & CO.

106 W. MAIN STREET,

Munson Building,

Connellsville, Pa.

Union Supply Company,

—DEALERS IN—

GENERAL MERCHANDISE

45 Department Stores—45

We are interested in the Shoe business at present,
and we want to interest you. We want you to
look at our Shoes. We only ask you to look at them.
We can convince you without talk that we have
what you want. We guarantee every pair and make
our guarantee good. They must give satisfaction or
we will refund your money. Can you get the same
guarantee from any other dealer?

We have the greatest line of Men's Dress Shoes
from \$1.50 to \$5.00 it has ever been our privilege to
show, and we have shown some good ones in the
past.

Our line of Ladies' Fine Shoes from \$1.25 to
\$3.50 is just as good as you can find anywhere at
50 cents a pair more.

Our Children's Shoes are well and neatly made,
and are substantial. You first want a child's shoe to
look neat, and next you want it to be durable. Our
goods are made with these points in view. You will
be pleased with them when you see them, and you
will be better pleased with them after your child has
worn them.

We have the best line of Heavy Shoes for every-
day wear and Working Shoes there is on the market.

Our Shoes are all made to our order by the best
factories in the world. If they do not give satisfac-
tion we will refund you your money. It will cost
you nothing to give us a trial and you may find that
you have been benefitted by doing so. We believe
you will.

Union Supply Company.

DONALD DONALDSON, JR.

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Being a True Record and Explanation of the Seven Mysteries Now Associated With His Name in the Public Mind, and of an Eighth, Which Is the Key of the Seven

By HOWARD FIELDING

CHAPTER XV. THE PREDICTION OF DEATH.

[CONTINUED.]

"This may be all right, Uncle John," said he, "but I will bet a million dollars against a teaspoonful of east wind that it won't come out that way. However, if you win you don't care what the vote is."

"I'd like to know what you think it's going to be," said I.

"I'm ashamed," said Donald. "It's silly for me to pretend to know anything about it."

Bunn was hitching about in his chair. "I think it would be very interesting," said he, "if I like to know whether you think the same way that I do about it."

"Your opinion is far the worst of the lot, Mr. Bunn," responded Donald jokingly. "You're not right, even about



"If you have anything to say upon this matter, speak now."

the grand total, without regard to the way the votes fall upon one side or the other."

"No, no, Donald," said I. "Mr. Bunn figures as we do, that every share will be voted."

The boy looked surprised.

"I thought he estimated them a hundred short," said he.

Bunn slowly raised himself from his chair.

"I must get back to my work," said he.

Donald meanwhile was writing on a slip of paper.

"This is my prediction," he announced, "and if you won't look at it all afterward I'll give it to you, uncle."

"All right, my boy," I replied. And when he had sealed up the prediction in a very small envelope I put it into my waistcoat pocket.

In the course of the next day or two I had several opportunities for exerting my powers of persuasion upon Mr. Isaac Thorndyke. He was evasive, but his intent was clear. The man could be counted absolutely with the Kelvin party. What inducements Kelvin offered him I have never learned, but I have suspected that they consisted in promises to invest money in a crazy invention which Thorndyke controlled and in which he had just sense enough not to sink all his own money.

No change occurred in the situation up to the day before the election. On the afternoon of that day Donald and I were walking along the business street of Tunbridge, where most of the stores are and the principal hotel, a sorry place of entertainment, I regret to say. As we approached it I saw Detective Gillespie come out. He paused upon the edge of the upper step, and I noticed that he was a trifle unsteady, as if under the influence of drink.

I had had no interview with this man since the day when he had made his extraordinary and baseless charge against Donaldson. I knew that he had remained in town, and I had taken some pains to make sure that he was not repenting his accusation. Had he done so I should have made trouble for him. But so far as I could judge his main business was to drive about the town in a light top buggy and look mysterious.

The vehicle in question was standing before the door of the hotel, and the horse was fastened to an iron hitching post. As we approached the spot from one side Kelvin and Thorndyke came up from the other, so that it seemed likely that there would be a rather interesting encounter before the door of the hotel.

Gillespie remained poised upon the step, and as we came near Donald bowed to him.

"Ah, the wonder-boy!" said Gillespie. "What sort of weather are we going to have next Christmas?"

"The weather is fine today," replied Donald, pausing. "Be content with that."

Gillespie turned to me.

"I've got some interesting facts for you, Mr. Harrington," said he. "They won't please your young friend there very much."

"I would suggest that this is hardly the place to disclose them," said I.

"No," he answered, "and I'm not quite ready yet."

"That was the trouble with you the other day," said I innocently. "You fired off the gun before it was loaded."

It is a fault of mine that I am always impatient with a drunken man. Nothing else makes me so angry as foolishness, and at the head of all folks stands inebriation. On this occasion Gillespie was seized with the sudden and absurd anger which often marks a certain stage of intoxication.

"If you want me to talk right here," said he, "I'll show the whole business up. I'm dead on to this boy. I can tell you the whole game from A to Z."

A crowd was collecting. Kelvin and Thorndyke had stopped and were interested spectators. I caught a glimpse of Donald out of the corner of my eye and saw that he was pale with some strong emotion, which I judged to be wrath, though it was really mere misery, as I afterward learned.

"Why don't you go on?" said he to Gillespie. "Tell what you know here and now."

"Tomorrow will do," said the detective, beginning to descend the steps. "Tomorrow I'll come to see you at your office, Mr. Harrington."

"I shan't be there," said I.

"Then I'll find you over to the Junction," he rejoined. "Oh, I shan't have any trouble in keeping track of you tomorrow."

Donald stepped forward into the man's path. I saw that some unusual impulse was upon the boy, and it affected me with a peculiar thrill. I had often seen him show the same aspect, but never with such intensity.

"Frank Gillespie," said he, "if you have anything to say upon this matter speak now. Tomorrow will be too late. If you wait till then, I warn you that you will not speak at all. Now is your time, and there is no other."

He extended his right hand and touched Gillespie upon the breast over the heart. He had declared since then that the gesture was entirely accidental, that he was wholly unaware of it, and I think that is one of the strongest points in the case.

As to the immediate effect of his words and manner, I never saw the like. There was such a silence that it seemed as if the whole town of Tunbridge had stopped to take its breath. In certain moments Donald undoubtedly exercises an influence upon those about him which has no rational explanation.

Gillespie put up his hand and covered the spot which Donald had touched.

"Hocus pocus!" he cried somewhat hoarsely. "I'll attend to your case tomorrow."

He brushed past Donald and unlatched the horse with so much nervous bustle that the animal was irritated and started just as Gillespie had a foot upon the step of the buggy. The man jerked the reins with his right hand, slipped upon the step and turned about so that he was thrown against the hitching post, the iron ball upon the top of it striking him with considerable force upon the breast. The horse stopped, and Gillespie tottered back against a wheel of the buggy. His face was very white and somewhat contorted.

Such was my state of nervous and superstitious apprehension that I expected to see the man fall dead, though in ordinary circumstances I should not have feared a serious result from the accident. Evidently I was not alone in my alarm, for a strangely suppressed and inarticulate cry went up from the group upon the sidewalk, and several men stopped forward to assist Gillespie. He recovered himself, however, without help, climbed into his carriage, this time with sufficient care, and drove away.

"Donald," said I in his ear, "what did you mean?"

"Mean?" he repeated as if dazed. "Nothing at all except that I wanted him to speak. I wish to heaven he could have exposed me right there in the public street."

"Well, my boy," said I, "if anything

happens to Mr. Gillespie after what you told him just now you may be exposed by the recording angel, and it will have no effect in Tunbridge."

CHAPTER XVI. THE FATE OF A TRAITOR.

THE next morning Donaldson and I went over to the Junction on the early train. There were three or four stockholders over there to whom we wished to say a final word, though, in our opinion, the election was as good as over. I experienced a great relief and, as something happens, was the better able to realize how great would have been my bitterness of spirit if Kelvin had won the fight.

I had various errands here and there in the Junction and was separated from Donaldson for some hours. We met about noon in front of the business block in which the office of the branch is located. My first glimpse of Donaldson showed me that something was wrong.

"I've just had a telephone message from Archer," he said. "He tells me that he can't find Bunn."

"Can't find him?" I echoed. "Hasn't he been at the office?"

"No. And that isn't the worst of it," he replied. "Archer has sent up to Mrs. Stewart's. Bunn's boarding place, and it seems that he wasn't there last night."

"Good heavens!" I exclaimed. "Can he have gone out on one of those long evening walks of his and fallen dead in an out of the way place? I don't mean to be heartless, Donaldson, but you know what this means to us."

"It means destruction," said he. "That's the name of it."

"Do you remember," said I, "that when Don was talking to Jim Bunn the other day he seemed to get an impression that this vote would be a hundred shares short? Can that have been a vague hint that something was going to happen to Bunn?"

"I tried to get the boy by telephone," answered Donaldson. "Dorothy doesn't know where he is. Nobody knows."

"I wish we had him here," said I. "Upon a chance I went to a public telephone and called up the office, but I got no word of any one, Archer, Bunn or Donald. I had a curious experience with crossed wires, however, in the course of which I heard Kelvin's voice for a few minutes and made out that he was trying to get communication with Gillespie. It came to me then to wonder whether that rascal had spirited Bunn away. It was a trick that I did not believe Kelvin would stick at."

Donaldson and I were entirely helpless. We had to rely upon Archer, for we could not get to Tunbridge and back before the time set for the meeting, and so, as there was nothing better to do, we had a morsel of dinner.

Shortly before 2 o'clock Archer arrived in a pitiable state of excitement.

"What shall we do?" he cried as soon as he was within speaking distance. "Without Bunn we're lost, and I can get no trace of the man. I've got all Tunbridge hunting for him. We must hold up the meeting as long as we can."

There were about a dozen of the stockholders in the room when we three entered. Thorndyke was there, and I immediately perceived that he was very restless. I could not get him into conversation. He sat in a corner of a window seat in the attitude of a man with the stomach ache and dreamed upon the floor with one foot, a habit that especially distresses me.

Presently the meeting was called to order by a little dunny who acts as president of the company because more important men do not want the office. Some reports were read, and then, under the rules, it became necessary to proceed to the election of a board of directors. I had a little scheme for holding back the vote, but it was not necessary to spring it immediately. Meanwhile the proxies were passed upon in the usual way, and tellers were appointed, one from each party. They were Donaldson and a man named Alvin Green, a small stockholder who had gone entirely over to the Kelvin party, although he owed his stock and everything else which he had in the world to me.

There were two tickets—that is, two lists of men named for directors. The lists were printed and were entitled Ticket No. 1 and Ticket No. 2. Ours was No. 1.

I was about to begin my tactics for delay when there was a loud knocking at the door, which was locked. We all jumped up from our places around the long table except Thorndyke, who had maintained his seat in the window throughout the proceedings and did not stir at the noise.

The door was opened, and Jim Bunn stalked into the room, with the air of a crazy man. I cast one look at him and then turned toward Kelvin. My enemy had seized upon Archer, who happened to be nearest to him, and had dragged him into a corner. I judged that Kelvin was protesting upon one ground or another against the admission of Bunn's vote, but I could not hear what was said. So I turned to Bunn.

"Well, Jim," said I, "where have you been?"

"Wait," said he, speaking like a man

in a trance. "Wait, I'm here to vote." "That's what we're all here for," I responded, "and the sooner the better."

Quiet was restored, and the voting began, the ballots being dropped into a hat. When all had been collected, the tellers took them to a little table in the corner and proceeded to make the count. I glanced across at Donaldson and saw instantly that he had encountered a most unpleasant surprise. In great uneasiness I turned to Carl. He was gnawing his fingers. Bunn sat rigid in a chair, his head thrust forward, his eyes staring.

I began to feel a dire isolation. These men seemed to know something of which I was ignorant. The perspiration started from my face. I would have given much for a gift of prophecy to anticipate the events of the next few minutes, and this wish naturally suggested Donald. I took from my pocket the envelope which contained his prediction and turned it nervously in my fingers. Curiosity overcame me, I broke the seal and read, with great surprise, this line:

"The Harrington ticket will win by 300 majority."

While I was vainly trying to make this result fit the mathematical possibilities, I heard the tellers rise from their table. Donaldson handed a slip of paper to the secretary of the company, who read as follows:

"All ballots are straight. No. 1 ticket has received the preferences of the holders of 5,150 shares. No. 2 ticket has received the preferences of the holders of 4,850 shares. No. 1 ticket is therefore elected."

"He's right," cried Kelvin. "There's some mistake about this. We'll verify those ballots."

I expected a reply from Donaldson, but he had crossed to the end of the table where Carl was sitting. I followed and touched him on the shoulder.

"How the dickens did we get such a result as that?" I asked. "Thorndyke must have voted for us and Bunn against us."

"Thorndyke voted for us," said Donaldson, "and Bunn voted for us. This man voted against us."

"Carl!" I exclaimed. "Impossible!"

"My son tried to warn me of this long ago," said Donaldson, "and I would not hear him."

"It is a matter of business," said Carl harshly. "I am a stockholder of this company. I vote as my interest dictates."

"Thorndyke," cried Donaldson, seizing the man's arm as he was passing, "did my son know how you were going to vote?"

"Well, to be frank with you," replied Thorndyke, "your son is responsible for it. I had thought that I saw my interest clear to vote with the other party, but at a late hour last evening your son came to my house with Mr. Bunn, and I then learned what an infernally crooked game this man, Kelvin, has been playing. Between us, gentlemen, and to use the slang of the day, I couldn't stand for it."

"Why didn't you lift the weight from our minds by telling us this?" I demanded.

"Young Mr. Donaldson desired that I should say nothing," was the reply, "and I seemed to see his point."

For the first time in his life Thorndyke had kept a secret.

"Don't you understand?" said Donaldson. "Archer, Archer! He's the man whom your son was fighting against. If Bunn had stayed away, Archer would have voted with us, and we'd have lost the election just the same, supposing that Thorndyke had not changed his mind. But with Bunn here to vote for us and Thorndyke supposedly safe for the Kelvin party, Archer's vote would turn the scale, and it could be turned in no other way. Kelvin would force him to cast it. Donald has foreseen this a long time. It was the only way to unmask this man completely."

"Unmask, eh?" cried Carl. "Well, I'll do a little unmasking. Kelvin, where's that man Gillespie?"

"Come away!" growled Kelvin. "You're making a fool of yourself. It's all over."

"No, not quite," said Carl. "Jim Bunn, answer me this: Who stole that money? Who got the \$40,000? You know. Is this the man?"

He struck Donaldson roughly on the shoulder.

"No," answered Bunn almost in a whisper. "You'll get no lies from me. I am the man."

Carl's hands dropped to his sides.

"Are you—are you such a d—d fool as that? Go to state's prison, then, if you want to and die in a cage like a rat."

Bunn shrank away as if he had received a blow in the face, while Archer turned on his heel and walked out of the room, followed by Kelvin.

"He has played the game too hard," said Donaldson. "The strain has smashed his wits."

"Upon my word," said I, "I don't quite see what his game was."

"Power!" answered Bunn. "Kelvin's control of this road would have forced your business into the trust. You would have made the best terms you could and would have retired from active management."

[TO BE CONTINUED.]

Railroad Time Tables.



PITTSBURG DIVISION AND BRANCHES.

On and after Nov. 23rd, 1902, passenger trains will leave Connellsville for Chicago via Pittsburgh and Akron without change. Express 1:10 and 8:15 p. m. daily.

For Cincinnati, St. Louis and Louisville via Pittsburgh, 5:05 a. m. and 6:15 p. m. daily.

For Pittsburgh, week days, 7:05, 7:40, 7:55, 11:05 a. m.; 1:10, 2:30, 6:14, 7:10 p. m.; Sundays, 7:05, 7:40, 7:55 a. m. and 1:10, 6:14 and 7:10 p. m.

For Washington, Pa., and Wheeling—Week days, 5:05, 11:05 a. m.; 1:10 and 6:14 p. m. Sundays, 5:05 a. m.; 1:10 and 6:14 p. m.

For Mount Pleasant—Week days, 8:30 a. m.; 3:45 and 6:55 p. m.

For Uniontown—Week days, 7:55, 9:50 a. m.; 4:05 and 6:45 p. m. Sundays, 9:50 a. m. and 6:45 p. m.

For Lockport—Week days, 7:55 a. m.; For Morgantown—Week days, 9:50 a. m.; 1:05 and 6:15 p. m. Sundays, 9:50 a. m. and 6:15 p. m.

For Fairmont—Week days, 9:50 a. m.; 4:45 p. m. Sundays, 9:50 a. m.

For Cleveland, via Pittsburgh, daily, 3:05 a. m. and 1:10 p. m.

For Washington, Baltimore, Philadelphia, New York, Boston and all points in the East—Express, daily, 9:45 a. m.; 2:40, 8:05 and 10:02 p. m.

For Confluence and Krag—8:50 a. m., except Sunday.

For Johnstown and points on the S. & C. Branch—Week days, 8:50, 9:45 a. m.; 2:46 p. m. Sunday, 2:46 p. m.

For Berlin—Week days, 8:50 a. m. and 2:46 p. m.

For Cumberland—Daily Express trains, 9:45 a. m.; 8:05 and 10:52 p. m. Daily accommodation trains, 5:50 a. m. and 2:16 p. m.

For Shenandoah Junction and points on the N. & W. R.—9:45 a. m.; 2:40 and 10:52 p. m. daily.

For Harper's Ferry and Valley Division points—9:45 a. m.; 2:16 and 10:52 p. m. Week days only.

If you want to secure through tickets, reserve Pullman car space, or get information concerning time of trains and connections, call at the Baltimore & Ohio depot, Connellsville, Pa. H. L. DOUGLAS, Ticket Agent.

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PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.

(Southwest Branch.)

On and after June 15th, 1902, trains will arrive and depart as follows:

Southward.—For Dunbar, Redstone Junction and Uniontown, 8:10, 10:52 a. m.; 3:40 and 6:45 p. m.

For Fairchance.—10:52 a. m.; 4:30 and 6:45 p. m.

Northward.—For Scottdale and Greensburg and all points on the main line, 7:22, 9:30 a. m.; 3:05 and 7:53 p. m.

For information concerning rates of fare, etc., call on or address the following agents: Albert Hutzschel, Fairchance; W. D. McCormick, Uniontown; Sam Tarr, Dunbar; W. K. Higginer, Connellsville; or Thomas E. Watt, Passenger Agent Western District, 800 Fifth Avenue, New York, Pa.

J. R. HUTCHINSON, Gen. Mgr. J. R. WOOD, Gen. Pass. Agt.

PITTSBURG & LAKE ERIE.

Leave Pittsburgh, McKeesport & Youngstown (railroad), Cleveland Short Line. Central Standard Time, in effect Sunday June 15th, 1902.

Trains leave New Haven Depot for West Newton, McKeesport and Pittsburgh, daily at 3:30 a. m. and 2:02 p. m.

For Dickerson Run—Daily, 3:30 a. m.; 2:05 and 6:10 p. m. For points on Belle Vernon branch, daily, 3:30 a. m. and 2:05 p. m.

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L. A. ROBINSON, Gen. Pass. Agt. J. D. YOUNG, Superintendent.

WASHINGTON RUN R. R.

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Trains leave Star Junction for Layton daily at 7:45 a. m. and 5:20 and 8:50 p. m.

All trains make connection with Baltimore & Ohio at Layton.

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HEADLIGHT FLASHES.

Work on the Wabash and the Prospects of Its Reaching Uniontown.

THE SHORT LINE CONNECTION.

Railroad Notes and News Gathered Off the Connellsville and Pittsburgh Divisions—Personal Mention Among the Trainmen.

Letters pertaining to the building of the Wabash road from the location of the Pittsburgh, Carnegie & Western south through Washington and Greene counties are fast assuming definite shape. It has not been fully determined whether the line will diverge from the Pittsburgh, Carnegie & Western at Bishop or Hickory. Both of these routes possess advantages that will later unfold themselves. The distance from Pittsburgh to Washington via Bishop and Canonsburg is about 30 miles, and 27 or 28 miles more brings the line to Waynesburg, making the total distance about four miles less than over the Panhandle and the narrow gauge Waynesburg & Washington.

From Waynesburg the Wabash route turns abruptly to the east, reaching the shores of the Monongahela river, crossing into Fayette county and heading straight for Uniontown. The distance to the latter place over the Wabash route will be a few miles in excess of the Baltimore & Ohio line via Connellsville. This is due to the fact, however, that the Wabash route traverses two sides of a triangle, whereas, the Connellsville route passes over but one side. Unless some unforeseen developments take place the Wabash line to Uniontown should be completed by January, 1904.

The extension of the road from Waynesburg to Uniontown will go through unless all signs fail, with the energy and push that characterizes the march onward to Washington and into Greene county. The line to Uniontown will get into the most sacred domains of the Baltimore & Ohio and the Pennsylvania. There is no doubt, however, but what there is room for all.

An advance in wages will be asked by all the railroads in the West where voluntary raises have not been made. The Brotherhoods on the Baltimore & Ohio will likely ask for an advance at the next scale conference.

The estimates for the new Pennsylvania, Monongahela & Southern Railroad Company, which is to run from West Brownsville to Whitey creek in Greene county to connect with the Wabash railroad, will soon be completed by Elliott & Baton, the engineers in charge. Contracts for the construction of the 22 miles, it is said, will be let within 30 days. The construction and equipment of this road will cost \$2,000,000. Starting at West Brownsville the new road will go through Pike Run township, touching Fredericktown, on the line between Washington and Greene counties; through East Bethlehem township, near Millsboro; across Ten Mile creek, through Jefferson township, touching Rice's Landing; through Cumberland township, across Muddy creek and past Port Freemont and Parker landing, across Little Whitey

creek and through Monongahela township to the Wabash line along Whitey creek.

Passenger Conductor Dennis Devine, of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, his friends will be glad to hear, is so far improved in health as to be able to get out of the house.

Passenger Conductor J. S. Parker of Connellsville is back on his run on Nos. 3 and 4. Conductor D. L. Burns, running on Nos. 1 and 2, is off on a two weeks vacation.

A new dining car has taken the place of the Clutenden on trains Nos. 5 and 6.

The case of assault and battery brought against Lieutenant James Breen, of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, brought by some disorderly foreigners whom Breen ejected from the waiting rooms of the station, was ignored by the Grand Jury and the costs were placed upon the prosecutors. The latter, however, have left this part of the country.

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The Solution

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Christmas Gift Question.

To the Children.

Christmas Day is fast approaching. Happy time for young and old. Santa Claus soon for coming. Doesn't mind the snow nor cold.

Toys and Dolls and Books he's bringing. More than ever he did before. And he had them (cause too heavy) Shipped by freight to MACE'S STORE.

Santa Claus he cannot carry. All his gifts—he's old, you know— And confined the distribution Of them all to MACE & CO.

Now it's easy, little children. Now you need to write no more: Just with Papa or with Mamma You walk down to MACE'S STORE.

To the Ladies.

What to buy as Christmas present For your husband or your beau, And to find out where to buy it— These are questions, don't you know?

What to buy? That's rather easy. And a man—as you will find— Wants to know who gives the present. What it is he doesn't mind.

How about a fine Umbrella, Gloves or Mittens, or some Tie? Better still, a Smoking Jacket For the cozy home—that's nice.

Many things that we could mention— Hundreds of them, or still more; Do you know where you can find them? Just walk down to MACE'S STORE.

To the Men.

For your wife, your girl or sister, Something dainty, something smart, To select just what will please her— That is puzzling, that is hard!

Try to satisfy her wishes, This is our good advice. And her thanks and smiles at Christmas Will be worth the highest price.

"That is just what we are after; Heaven's! If we only knew!" So we hear you fellows answer: But we'll tell you what to do.

Don't you break your head about it, As you always did before; We will help you to select it— Just walk down to MACE'S STORE!

If you have only one or two presents to buy, it will be easy for you to decide upon them; but if it comes to selecting quite a number of them, you will probably appreciate some suggestions.

Below we give you a complete list of all our goods appropriate for Christmas Presents. Read it carefully, mark the items that you care for and cut the list out, bring it with you when you come to see us and ask for all the respective goods. You always called Christmas shopping a "bother." Use this little system and you will be surprised to find shopping a pleasure.

FOR LADIES:

Monte Carlo Coat
Fur Set
Fur Scarf
Fur Muff
Silk Waist
Flannel Waist
Dress Hat
Silk Waist Pattern
Dress Pattern
Half dozen Handkerchiefs
Umbrella
Kid Gloves
Silk Tie
Stock Collars
Fascinator
Shawl
Brooch
Chain
Chatelaine Bag
Toilet Set
Manicure Set
Mirror
Hair Brush
Curling Irons
Fancy Scissors
Fancy Pillow
Slippers
Picture
Box Letter Paper
Book
Rug
Table Linen
Dresser Scarf
Doylies
Vase
Statuettes
Photograph Album

FOR GENTLEMEN:

Necktie
Gloves
Pin
Umbrella
Slippers
Smoking Jacket
Overcoat
Fur Cap
Driving Gloves
Suspenders (silk)
Cuff Links
Trunk
Satchel
Suit Case
Pictures
Rug
Books

FOR CHILDREN:

Dressed Doll
Kid Doll
Magic Lantern
Railway
Fire Engine
Steam Engine
Picture Book
Story Book
Suit
Dress
Coat
Overcoat
Fur Set
Tam O'Shanter
Hat
Slippers
Umbrella
Gloves

We carry a large assortment of all these goods and have them in different grades in order to fit everybody's pocketbook.

We have bought enormous quantities of Christmas goods—too many, we believe. We presume that we will never be able to sell them unless we mark them at very low prices. — — — — We will sell them!

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ONE CENT.

DEVOTED TO BILLS.

House Passes Measure to Adjudicate Importations of Steel Blooms.

STEP TO IMPROVE OHIO RIVER.

Treaty for Construction of Panama Canal Cannot Be Ratified by Colombian Congress Before June 1 Next. General Washington News.

Washington, Dec. 6.—The house devoted yesterday to bills on the private calendar. The most important bill passed was one to adjudicate in the court of claims the claims of certain importers of steel blooms who between 1879 to 1882 paid customs duties equivalent to 45 per cent ad valorem, when it was claimed the correct rate should have been 30 per cent. About \$350,000 is involved. A bill to pay Smithmeyer and Pelz, architects of the congressional library, \$50,000 additional compensation was defeated. A bill was passed authorizing the following persons to accept presents and decorations from foreign governments:

Captain B. H. McCalla, U. S. N.; Doctors Eugene Wasdin and H. O. Geddings, U. S. M. H. S.; Henry E. Alford, W. A. Taylor, H. W. Wiley, M. A. Carleton and John I. Shulte, of the department of agriculture; John A. Okerman, of the Mississippi river commission; Casper S. Crowninshield, United States commercial agent; Miss Anna Tolman Smith and Lieutenant Colonel F. H. Phipps.

At 4:05 p. m. the house adjourned until to-day.

Ohio River Improvement Bill. Washington, Dec. 6.—Representative Brownell, of Ohio, with a view of securing a minimum of a nine-foot stage of water in the Ohio river, yesterday introduced a bill appropriating \$200,000 for the survey of the river from the mouth of Big Miami to the mouth of the Ohio.

This is the first step necessary to the great improvement that is being urged by the Ohio Valley Improvement association. It is stipulated in the resolution that the report shall be ready by November 1, 1903, in order that the president may discuss the Ohio river improvement in his annual message to congress.

Vice President Albert Bettinger and Secretary E. P. Wilson, of the Ohio Valley Improvement association, yesterday called upon Chairman T. E. Burton, of the rivers and harbors committee, and asked his support in the movement to make the Ohio navigable the entire year. They did not receive much encouragement from Mr. Burton, who is not in favor of the project. He asked his visitors if they realized that they were asking for an appropriation of about \$6,000,000 a year for 10 years, when the total appropriations of the rivers and harbors committee amounted to only about \$25,000,000 a year.

They replied that they were aware of what their proposition meant, but that they were justified in making the request, in view of the enormous advantages to the whole country that would follow.

Panama Canal Treaty.

Washington, Dec. 6.—If Minister Hart, at Bogota, is correctly informed, no treaty providing for the construction of the Panama canal can be ratified by the Colombian congress before about June 1 next. He has reported that the congressional elections have been called for the middle of next March, and Colombians here say that a period of at least 60 days is required to assemble a newly-elected congress and then some time must elapse before it is in working order. Secretary Hay therefore has decided to allow the treaty to be ratified in Washington first, presuming that he succeeds in negotiating one, unless the senate interposes an objection, which is not anticipated. It is expected that early next week Dr. Herran, the Colombian charge here, will be given all the powers necessary for him to sign a treaty.

Cuban Reciprocity.

Havana, Dec. 6.—After a conference with Secretaries Zalzo and Montes last night, President Palma said: "My commissioners Senor Zalzo and Montes will sign the reciprocity agreement with Gen. Bliss probably on Monday or Tuesday next. It will then be sent to Washington, where the treaty will be signed by Secretary Hay and the Cuban minister, Quesada. After confirmation by the United States senate it will send the treaty to the Cuban senate for approval. I shall not send it to the house of representatives because the executive has with the approval of the senate the right according to the constitution to make a treaty which does not affect the tariff."

SUPERINTENDENTS CONFER.

Gathering of B. & O. Officials Friday at Pittsburgh.

The Superintendents of the divisions and branches of the Pittsburgh system of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad met yesterday at the general offices in Water street station, Pittsburgh. A conference was held with General Superintendent L. G. Haas. The meeting was the first one held for some time, and the first touch of real winter weather had something to do with it. Immediate conditions on the divisions and improvements under way and contemplated for next year occupied a full day's discussion. Among those attending the conference were: C. F. Batchelder, Superintendent of the Middle Division; J. F. Irwin, Superintendent of the Connellsville Division; H. O. Dunkle, Superintendent of the New Castle Division; J. T. Johnson, Superintendent of the Cleveland Division; B. W. Duer, Superintendent of the Pittsburgh Division; and Chief Clerks H. R. Harlin, W. O. Schoonover, G. W. Billingsley, J. B. White, T. J. Daily and Chief Clerk W. T. Lechler, of the Pittsburgh General office. The meeting was presided over by General Superintendent L. G. Haas, at whose instance it was called. Division Superintendent U. B. Williams of the Wheeling Division, in General Superintendent Thomas Fitzgerald's territory, likewise was present to aid in the general success of the gathering, as was W. H. Williams, Assistant to the General Manager.

The needs of each and every division within General Superintendent Haas' territory was reviewed. Yard extensions, double-tracking, the construction of storage tracks, and, in fact all matters under the jurisdiction of the operating department and affecting the general relationship between the divisions, was considered with regard to detail. Before any of the proposed improvements can be definitely acted upon, however, the assistance of the engineering department must be sought, in order that the engineering details, necessarily a part of the program, may be worked out to a conclusion. The meetings primarily are for the purpose of bringing the various division officers in close touch with each other so that the wishes of all may be better understood, the desire being to establish an official family for harmonious results.

CONTRACT CANCELLED.

J. B. Sheets & Company's Trouble With Columbus City Official.

The story printed below from Columbus, O., will interest many Connellsville people. J. B. Sheets & Company, the sewage contracting firm mentioned, but recently completed a sewage system in Connellsville. The Columbus special says in part: "J. B. Sheets & Company of Pittsburgh were charged Thursday by Director Immel of the Department of Public Improvements with an attempt at crookedness in relation to their contract for constructing sewers here at a cost of \$51,000. The company was awarded the contract, but now refuses to do the work at that price, because, Director Immel says, he will not allow them to substitute cheaper material than that provided for in the specifications. 'The Director claims that the contract was awarded to the Pittsburgh firm in good faith, and that the city will retain the \$100 certified check deposited as a guarantee to honestly perform the work. He claims that the company asked to be allowed to put up a shoddy piece of work so as to make money out of the contract, and that when he remonstrated they told him such a course had been customary and that the bid had been made low with the supposition that cheap material could be used. The company asked to be allowed to bid on the next contract, but the Director told them their action in this matter would not be to their credit.'"

John B. Sheets, head of the firm, says the specifications were changed after he bid on the contract, considerable work being added that was not in the original papers.

A New Post in Town.

Joseph Mayer, of the firm of Mace & Company is a poet. In today's issue of The Daily Courier, eighth page, appears his first effort in English dedicated to the children, the ladies and the men of Connellsville. It tells a story of Santa Claus and tells it well. Mr. Mayer is a better poet in German and French than English, but with only sixteen months acquaintance of our language his effort is very creditable.

A \$22,000 Bond Issue.

Washington, Pa. School Board have voted a bond issue of \$22,000 for new school buildings.

ISOLATED IN DEATH.

Distressing Features Attend the Burial of Floyd N. Frum.

FRIENDS ARRIVE TOO LATE.

Final Removal of the Body from Quarantine to Hill Grove Cemetery—Rites at the Grave Conducted by Rev. W. A. Edie.

The funeral and burial last evening of Floyd N. Frum, the young Baltimore & Ohio civil engineer who died Friday morning of smallpox, was without a parallel in Connellsville. Stricken far from home, relatives and lifelong friends it became necessary to isolate him. All that was possible was done to make him comfortable, but at best the hurried equipment of a camp car is far from taking the place of home. In this isolation the promising young man died with nothing but the friendly offices and faithful attention of a young physician who had never known him until he was stricken. Bitter sadness marks every feature of Frum's illness and death.

But the worst feature of the case was reserved for after death. The spirit of fear took possession of those who were to have helped in the burial of Frum. When 6 o'clock came those who had been engaged to help with the funeral refused to stir. The dreaded form which the disease took in the case of Mr. Frum was what spread the terror. Dr. T. H. White and the health officials searched in vain for someone to help with the gruesome work. Those who were willing to go were restrained by their friends. Liverymen refused to furnish a wagon to haul the corpse. Men promised to help and then went back on their promises. Fancy sums were offered, but they were refused. Time passed while the cabs waited, and it finally looked as if the burial would have to be delayed.

Finally, however, an immune was secured who would brave the contagion. George O'Bryon of New Haven has had experience with smallpox. He has nursed cases in Dunbar township on several occasions. Dr. T. H. White, a Courier reporter and O'Bryon composed the burial party. On a rough road wagon with two spirited horses, O'Bryon sat astride the rough box and drove. The other two were in a buggy.

At Sodom shops the casket was taken from the rough box and run down to the car on a hand truck. Dr. Singer, alone with the dead, was hailed, and the yellow light streamed from the quarantined car. The casket was lifted up in the door. Then Dr. Singer went into the farther division of the car, divided by a sheet soaked in bi-chloride of mercury, and bore out the form of the dead, wrapped in three sheets saturated with a strong disinfecting solution. The casket was closed and sealed, run to the wagon on a truck, and loaded. The strange funeral procession then started while Dr. Singer went back to make final preparations for leaving the car.

Townpeople wondered when they saw the funeral pass up street. At the entrance to Hill Grove Cemetery the grave digger refused to accompany the funeral to the grave. He directed the drivers to the grave on the farther slope of the cemetery. The road was hard to find in the snow. Once the hearse-wagon topped and O'Bryon was thrown off into a snow drift. The wagon was driven as near the grave as possible.

Rev. W. A. Edie and several men from the Baltimore & Ohio engineering department came in a cab. All hands helped carry the big rough box to the graveside, stumbling under the weight through the drifted snow. The box was lowered into the grave. Reverently the little gathering of friends uncovered their heads while Rev. Edie, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, conducted the services of a Christian burial. He first made some remarks befitting the occasion. He spoke of Mr. Frum as a stranger of whom he had heard nothing that is not good. He spoke of the trying circumstance under which he had to be buried; he contrasted the strange night burial with a funeral at home when friends can comfort friends. Then he spoke of the stricken friends at home and of the sad circumstances that would deepen their grief. "Dust to dust, earth to earth, ashes to ashes," and the cloths of clay muffled

a benediction as they sounded on the boards below. Then Rev. Edie prayed; for the soul of the departed friend; for those who were near and dear to him in the trial of their great sorrow; for her to whom the dead had pledged his love and his faith, that she may be comforted in her grief; for the young man, Dr. J. J. Singer, Jr., whose spirit of brotherly love prompted him to volunteer his services in caring for the sick when others quailed at the mention of his awful malady; for the friends who had followed the remains of their friend to the grave, and lastly that this community may be spared from the ravages of pestilence and disease. Then the grave was filled in. The floral offerings were very beautiful. One large piece, "Gates Ajar," was sent by the fraternity of the West Virginia University of which Mr. Frum was a member. Other offerings came from his friends and associates here.

Last night Dr. Singer thoroughly disinfected himself and went home. He deserves great credit for his work in nursing Frum. He took a great risk, dared to do what not one man in thousands would do, and the friends of Mr. Frum can be certain that the unfortunate man was well cared for in his suffering. Today the car will be burned with all its contents.

C. C. Frum, a younger brother of Frum, arrived in town this morning. By some misunderstanding the word of Frum's illness and death did not reach his family until Friday evening, wire trouble delaying the messages. The grief-stricken young man went to the cemetery to see the grave and the flowers. Other relatives will come on this afternoon and take charge of the dead man's affairs and effects here.

WILL MAKE COKE.

Union Steel Company Will Build a Plant at Ronco.

The Union Steel Company, which is a consolidation of the Union Steel Company of Donora and the Sharon Steel Company of Sharon, have decided to erect a coke oven plant at Ronco in the Lower Connellsville region. A mine has been opened there and it was the original intention of the Sharon Steel Company, which owned 3,200 acres of splendid coking coal near Uniontown, to ship the coal to Sharon to be coked in a big battery of by-product ovens at that point which are now nearing completion. Since the consolidation of the two companies the new stockholders and Directors have decided to build a coke plant. Two hundred ovens will be erected at once and they will be increased in number as fast as possible next summer. The product will be shipped down the new Monongahela branch of the Pennsylvania and Lake Erie railroads to the furnaces of the Union Steel Company at Donora.

John P. Brennan, formerly General Manager of the Union Supply Company, is manager of the Lower Connellsville coal and coke operations of the Union company, and will build their coke plant. Mr. Brennan was in charge of the Leekrone, Buffington and Footedals coke plants in the Lower Connellsville district before the consolidation of the Eureka Fuel Company with the H. C. Frick Coke Company, which came about in the organization of the United States Steel Corporation.

O'BRYON'S CLAIM.

Immune Smallpox Nurse Sues Dunbar Township for Wages.

Before Justice of the Peace W. H. Berger in New Haven this morning a hearing was held in the case of James O'Bryon against the Dunbar Township School Board. O'Bryon makes a claim of \$80 for wages due him for nursing a negro named Richards, who was quarantined with smallpox in the Leisegang pest house during the months of August and September of this year. O'Bryon was hired by School Director George Graham. On the minutes of the Board is a resolution authorizing the employment of a nurse.

The Board claims that they are not supposed to pay the expenses of a quarantine, that they were not authorized by the court to expend the township's money in this way. Several witnesses were examined. Squire Berger reserved his decision until Saturday, December 13th.

Compulsory Law Enforced.

For violating the compulsory school law by refusing to send his children to school, Peter Livingston, an Englishman of North Huntingdon township was committed to jail at Greensburg Friday for a period of one day.

Among the Exchanges.

William B. Aiken has retired from the management of the Windber Era, having transferred his lease to Amos Clear and George T. Vance, the latter a compositor in the Era office.

COMMITTED SUICIDE.

Joseph Naretti of Smithton Blew His Brains Out Last Evening.

WAS A WEALTHY MERCHANT.

A Member of Town Council There and Director in Several Companies in and About Layton and West Newton—Prepared Carefully for Death.

Joseph Naretti, a well known and wealthy merchant of Smithton, committed suicide yesterday afternoon at 1 o'clock in his home. He ate a hearty dinner at noon and after reading a paper for a few minutes went up stairs. He shaved himself and put on a good suit of clothes. His brothers and two nieces, with whom he lived, supposed he was dressing to go out. A pistol shot startled the members of the family and on going up stairs Naretti's brothers found him lying on the bed with a bullet wound through his head. Naretti had held the end of a 32-calibre pistol in his mouth and fired. The bullet came out the top of his head. Naretti lingered till last night when he died. The suicide locked and barred the door of his room before he killed himself and this had to be knocked in.

Naretti was a native of Italy and made a comfortable fortune at Smithton, starting first in a small way and gradually increasing his business until he had the largest store there. A will was found last night which was made several days ago. His property was left to his brothers and nieces. The latter kept house for him. Naretti was 50 years old and single. He was highly esteemed at Smithton and was a member of Town Council there. He was also a Director in the Layton Sand & Stone Company in which some Connellsville people are interested.

CAPT. FEE'S APPOINTMENT.

Aide-de-Camp on Commander Thos. J. Stewart's Staff.

Captain Thomas M. Fee received word this morning from Harrisburg that he has been appointed an Aide-de-Camp on the staff of General Thomas J. Stewart, Commander in Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic. In this capacity Captain Fee will attend the National Encampment at San Francisco next September. This appointment comes as quite an honor to Captain Fee, who has been active in Grand Army work ever since the G. A. R. was organized.

Captain Fee has long been a close friend of General Stewart. At the Cleveland encampment a strong effort was made to elect Stewart Commander in Chief, but it was finally abandoned. At the National encampment this year in Washington Captain Fee did good work for Stewart's boom, and the appointment is an appreciation of his efforts.

GASHED HIS HEAD.

Barroom Fight in New Haven Ends in Bloody Cutting.

Edward Beatty, a young man of New Haven, and William Riley, bartender at the Hotel Victoria in New Haven, got into an altercation Friday afternoon that ended in a bloody fight. Beatty, it is said, had been drinking and asked for a half pint of whiskey, which Riley refused him. Then, it is alleged, Beatty threw a beer glass at Riley, but missed him, after he had made several threats as to what he would do. Riley then started to eject him from the barroom. Beatty was knocked down and severely beaten. Four bad cuts were inflicted on his head with a beer glass. These were sewed up by Dr. R. S. McKee, who was summoned. The wounds were bad ones and will keep Beatty laid up for some time. Beatty is being cared for at a room in the hotel.

Big Coal Sale.

Uniontown, Dec. 6.—O. P. Markle and J. B. Adams of this place have sold 6,000 acres of coal in Braxton county, W. Va., to the Davis-Edkins syndicate. The tract is near the proposed line of the Wabash railroad. The coal was optioned two years ago at \$8 per acre. It is said the Uniontown men doubled their money several times on the deal.

New Bank Organized.

The Pleasant Unity National Bank was organized Thursday at a capitalization of \$25,000.

STRIKE COMMISSION.

Two Sightless and Badly Injured Miners Give Testimony.

INDEPENDENTS MAY SELL OUT.

Nothing Can Be Learned Regarding Reported Settlement Outside of Commission—Mr. MacVeagh Feels Testimony Will Increase Bitterness.

Scranton, Pa., Dec. 6.—The lawyers of the mine workers continued to call witnesses yesterday before the strike commission to testify to the alleged blacklisting methods pursued by several coal companies in refusing to re-employ strikers who took a more prominent part in the affairs of the mine workers' union during the recent suspension. All of them said they had been employed before the strike, but were refused their old places after the strike was ended. In most cases, according to the testimony, no satisfactory reason was given why they were not taken back. Two blind men, who were also otherwise badly injured by underground explosions, were presented as living evidence of the dangers in the mines. When the commission adjourned for the day the Rev. J. J. Curran, the Roman Catholic clergyman of Wilkesbarre who took a prominent part in the miners' cause during the recent strike, was on the witness stand. Only one session was held today, adjournment being taken at 1 p. m.

Nothing could be learned here yesterday with reference to the reported efforts at a settlement outside the commission. None of the attorneys for either side professed to know anything about any contemplated move in that direction. Wayne McVeagh, who is representing the Erie coal properties, was the only attorney in a position to know who would talk about the matter. He left here, accompanied by Commissioner Peiker, at 3.35 yesterday afternoon over the Lackawanna railroad for New York.

Amicable Settlement Problematic. Mr. McVeagh, before leaving, stated to the correspondent of the Associated Press that a majority of the operators thought it better to adjourn all efforts to reach by amicable conferences a basis for the award of the commission until both sides had presented all the testimony they wished to offer. Whether the efforts to reach such a basis will be then resumed can only be decided after the testimony is closed.

Mr. MacVeagh added that he possibly thought, in view of the extraordinary conditions existing in the anthracite region that this was a mistaken attitude for the operators to assume, as he feared each day's testimony would tend to increase the bitterness of feeling; but it was not only the right but the duty of the operators to act on their own judgment of the situation, and he sincerely hoped the result would fully justify the conclusion they reached.

From this expression it is taken that Mr. MacVeagh was opposed to the calling off of the negotiations last week. It is his sincere hope that an agreement will be effected, and it is known that the commissioners hope for an agreement on many if not all the important points at issue.

Independents May Sell.

Scranton, Pa., Dec. 6.—Recent events have given ground for the belief that the result of the negotiations now in progress will be the ultimate sale of the properties of the individual operators to the large coal carrying companies. This will not be done at once, but it is regarded here as certain to come in the not distant future, because it is believed to be the only solution of the present situation, and is the outcome which both the Independents and the large companies desire. It is estimated that the coaleries of the 67 independent operators can be purchased for \$145,000,000. These operators produce three-tenths of the total output of coal.

Millionaire Goes to Penitentiary.

St. Louis, Dec. 6.—After two days of trial, Charles J. Denny, the millionaire brewer and director in the Suburban Street Railway company, formerly a member of the house of delegates, charged with perjury in connection with the Suburban bill on the booze deal, was found guilty early yesterday evening, and his punishment fixed at two years in the penitentiary. The only defense offered by Judge Krum, attorney for Denny, was testimony in behalf of the defendant's good character.

Got Fifteen Years.

Philadelphia, Dec. 6.—George Dickinson, alias Westcott, the burglar who was arrested about ten days ago after a desperate fight with a policeman, and who was discovered by detectives to be a robber by night and a business man by day, was tried and convicted yesterday and sentenced to 15 years in the penitentiary. The police accused Dickinson of nearly sixty robberies, but could secure legal evidence in but 25 cases. It is said nearly \$10,000 worth of Dickinson's loot was recovered by the police.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Live News Notes Gathered From all Parts of the Town.

Christmas trees are being cut in the mountains.

The snow shovel has been busy the past few days.

Hon. N. E. Umbel was in town yesterday afternoon.

This will be the first Saturday of the real holiday shopping.

Samuel R. Fairchild of Scotland was a business caller in town Friday.

Complete line of fine cloaks bought at 60c on the dollar now on sale at The Fair.

W. E. Crow, Esq., of Uniontown was in town Friday night seeing friends, political and otherwise.

Miss Lulu Dean of Uniontown is the guest of Miss Margaret Holmes at the Young House. Miss Dean will remain for a week or more.

J. P. Johnson, James R. Hochelmer and Clarence Crable of Uniontown were in town Thursday evening. They attended the women's pig roast in Leiderskrantz Hall.

Revival services are now running at the Methodist Protestant Church each evening at 7.30. Peterson, the great singer, is there, and has made a profound impression. He sings tonight.

Country wagons were peddling fresh pork and sausage on the streets. They had no trouble in selling their goods when the people understood what their wares were. Country pork is in demand.

Louis M. Mowbray, of the architecture firm of Mowbray & Cramer of New York, designers of the handsome new First National Bank Building, was in town yesterday inspecting the finishing work on the building.

Superintendent Fife of the street railway company, says there is a marked increase in travel since the holiday season has opened. On the Everson division of the road every car unloads a big crowd of shoppers here.

Christian Himmier, the Cumberland heavy weight fighter, has failed to answer the challenge of Engineer McLellan, of town, who challenged him for a six round bout some days ago. The forfeit money, deposited with the Pittsburgh Dispatch, will be withdrawn.

Very early next spring work will commence on widening the tracks of the Suburban division of the Pittsburgh, McKeesport & Connellsville railway to the standard gauge. All the material has been ordered and the work will be started and hurried as soon as the weather will permit.

Four-Masted Schooner Wesley M. Oler Ashore and Crew Supposed Lost.

Hatteras, N. C., Dec. 6.—The observer of the weather bureau reports that the four-masted schooner Wesley M. Oler was ashore at Hatteras Inlet, the sailing station early yesterday morning during the storm. She was foundering in the surf about a mile off shore until 5.20 a. m. when the forecast went over carrying probably the last man. Almost immediately the vessel went to pieces. The life saving crew could do nothing to save the crew. No bodies have been washed ashore yet.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 6.—Reports received at Norfolk last night are to the effect that none of the ill-fated schooner Wesley M. Oler's crew escaped.

Only one chance of a rescue is known. The German steamer Kohn, from Bremen to Baltimore, reported the crew of an abandoned schooner aboard while entering the Capes yesterday.

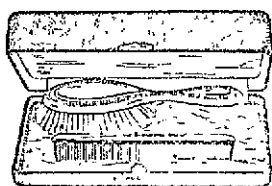
The four-masted schooner William D. Tilton and Melville Phillips, with several smaller craft, were blown ashore in the harbor and lower bay by yesterday's gale. The steamer Underwriter, which was towing the Oler from Nassau, has not been heard from, and fears are entertained that she foundered in the gale. The crew of the schooner Ida Lawrence abandoned that vessel in a rudderless condition off Hatteras early yesterday, and was rescued with greatest difficulty by life savers.

Eight Inches of Snow.

Boston, Dec. 6.—Snow to the depth of eight inches has fallen over the entire New England region. The storm apparently was severe in Southwestern New England, where there was considerable wire congestion and delay in railroad traffic. New England received the full benefit of a northwestern gale which in some places attained a velocity of 40 miles an hour. The only shipwreck reported was that of a schooner, which ran on Dog Bar breakwater in Gloucester harbor. No lives were lost. A fishing vessel from Boston, the James R. Clark, ran in the breakers off Manchester, Mass., yesterday afternoon, but she is expected to be pulled out of danger. Seven of the twelve men on board landed in safety. A bad railway wreck due to the storm, occurred at South Ashburnham, in which one brakeman was killed and another fatally injured.

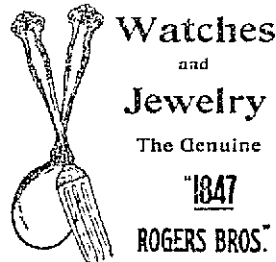
Destruction in Hampton Roads.

Newport News, Va., Dec. 6.—The terrific storm of wind and rain that struck this section early yesterday morning was the most destructive known in Hampton Roads in some time. One life was lost.



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We carry the best line of goods to be obtained and a present bought from our line will please the one who gets it.

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Union Stores.

The Retail Clerks' Protective Association desires to call your attention to the following list of Union Stores in Connellsville, New Haven and vicinity. Organized labor believes these merchants are worthy of your patronage because they treat their employees in a Christian-like manner.

Leebe, Buckwalter & Co., Dry Goods.
H. & J. Kurtz, Dry Goods.
Foster & Hornell, Silvers.
Donnelly & Irwin, Shoes.
Mace & Co., Department and Clothing.
Rhodes & Smith, Department Store.
Florence Smith, Department Store.
The Fair, Millinery and Dry Goods.
R. & E. Keck, Millinery.
Porter & Kirtz, Millinery.
M. J. Davidson, Grocer.
John Davidson, Grocer.
W. H. Shawman, Grocer.
W. R. Smith, Grocer.
J. A. Zimmerman, Grocer.
J. M. Sembover, Grocer.
J. H. Wortman, Grocer.
J. H. Friend, Grocer.
Thomas S. Hazen, Grocer.
Anchor Grocery.
D. Singlar, Grocer.
C. H. Whitley, Grocer.
A. E. Wagner, Grocer.
David King, Grocer.
Marshall & King, Grocers.
Leslie Brown, Grocer.
John W. Brown, Dry Goods and Notions.
McCree, 5 and 10c Store.
F. T. Evans.
J. B. Skinner.
Munson Bros.
Fitzmiller & Co.

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For ten days before the holidays we will have a representative line of goods from one of the largest manufacturing jewelry houses in New York at our store, in charge of special salesman, Mr. Jos. Freedman, from the cheapest to the best, including the largest assortment of set and loose diamonds ever seen in this city.

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Because he don't need to draw a living out of it.
Because he works himself at the watchmaker bench.
Because, he in a specially built refracting room, tests the eyes.
Because he has all the improved instruments and machines for grinding the lenses that he so carefully and scientifically prescribes, and makes his living out of his profession.

Because he is in New Haven, where the rent is low, and his entire expense is very small.

Because he buys for spot cash.

Because he wants to gain the confidence of the people in the Furniture business, as he has succeeded in the Optical and Jewelry business.

If all these facts convince you that all we say is true, call and see, even if you have to pay 2 cents for the bridge toll.

The New Haven Furniture Store has cheap as well as very fine goods. For the poor as well as for the rich. Not to come means a good many hard earned dollars out of your pocket.

VERY RESPECTFULLY YOURS,

The New Haven Furniture Store,

GEO. A. CAPLAN, Prop.

THE LADIES ARE ALL PLEASED

Hundreds have called at our store during the past few days, and not only have they expressed much delight over our line of

Fine Cut Glass

but have ordered many pieces for Christmas gifts. We still have an excellent assortment of these goods which we will be pleased to show you.

C. L. Clarke,

North Pittsburg Street.

CONNELLVILLE, PA.

FAST APPROACHING.

Crisis Between Venezuela and the Powers Cannot be Long Averted.

UNITED STATES IS WATCHFUL.

With Fleets of Powers Hovering Outside Venezuelan Ports International Complications Might Be Precipitated by a Blunder—Foreign Notes.

Washington, Dec. 6.—When the fast approaching crisis between Venezuela and Germany and England, who are preparing to coerce the South American republic into the payment of her international obligations, arrives, the moral influence of the United States will probably be thrown toward a peaceful settlement of the difficulty. While there is no objection on the part of this government to the forcible collection of the debt on the lines of procedure already proposed by Germany, there is a strong feeling that the United States would do well to go far in using its good offices to avert the imminent embroilment.

With powerful fleets of German and English warships hovering outside Venezuelan ports, international complications might easily be precipitated by a blunder on the part of a commander. The South American situation, involved as it is with the Monroe doctrine, is extremely delicate and an international blunder, even though followed by no serious result, would be harmful to the policy of the United States.

Caracas, Venezuela, Dec. 6.—The German cruisers *Gazelle* and *Panther* and the German training ship *Stosch* have arrived at Willemstad, island of Curacao.

GERMAN CLOW AT AMERICA.

Reichstag Resolutions Portend Commercial War.

Berlin, Dec. 6.—Baron Heyl von Herrnsheim, Count von Kanitz and Baron von Wundt, together with 61 Conservative, National-Liberal and Anti-Semite members of the Reichstag, introduced a resolution, yesterday directed aimed at the United States.

The resolution asks Chancellor von Bülow, before renewing the commercial treaties, to serve notice on any country not giving German goods fair reciprocity treatment that the existing most favored nation privileges will be discontinued in its case when the general commercial treaties are renewed.

Liberal critics point out that if the above leads to a tariff war Germany will get worsted, since the United States is able to get manufactured goods from England and France, which Germany is now supplying, whereas Germany must have American raw materials, petroleum, etc.

GENERAL FOREIGN NEWS.

London, Dec. 6.—A dispatch from St. Petersburg to the Daily Express says that in the riots which occurred recently at Rostoff, the troops fired on the workmen, killing twenty of them.

Panama, Colombia, Dec. 6.—A revolutionary movement is threatened in Honduras. General Sierra has been induced to refuse to turn over the presidential power to Senor Bonilla, who was elected president in October.

London, Dec. 6.—The board of agriculture has intimated its willingness to remove the embargo on cattle arriving from New England ports whenever the American department of agriculture considers that the outbreak is suppressed.

Panama, Colombia, Dec. 6.—As a result of the pacification of the isthmus of Panama, President Zelaya, of Nicaragua, has sent a special envoy to San Salvador with a proposal for a defensive alliance should Colombia demand an explanation of Nicaragua's action in rendering active assistance to the Colombian revolutionists.

Paris, Dec. 6.—The chamber of deputies last night adopted, by 527 votes to 14, the new sugar law, of which the principal provision reduces the tax on refined sugar to 25 francs per 220 pounds as a compensation for the abolition of the sugar bounties under the Brustak convention. The senate yesterday adopted the bill authorizing the participation of France in the St. Louis exposition.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 6.—Prince Dolgoroukoff, chairman of the Soudja district, has been deposed and subjected to police supervision for five years, and has been forbidden to engage in any public activity on account of the revolutionary resolutions which were adopted by the local agricultural commission. The town of Soudja immediately conferred upon the prince his freedom and gave him a banquet.

Charged with Manslaughter.
Chicago, Dec. 6.—Fred A. Smith, proprietor of the Lincoln hotel, in which 14 men were smothered to death Thursday night, and Night Clerk E. C. Weber were arraigned in the Harrison street police court yesterday morning on a charge of manslaughter as accessories before the fact. The men were arrested Thursday evening at the instigation of Coroner Traeger and Chief of Police O'Neil. Alderman John J. Brennan signed bail bonds for their appearance and they were in custody but a short time.

DUN'S WEEKLY TRADE REVIEW.

Irregularity in the Iron and Steel Market—Business Activity Exceeds Previous Years.

New York, Dec. 6.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly review, issued to-day, says in part:

Aside from the interruption to retail trade in winter goods at many points by unseasonable weather, business activity continues in excess of previous years, and it is probable that all the postponed trade will be made up now that low temperature has been general. While the warmest November on record at the east affected sales of clothing, it helped to restore the fuel equilibrium. Manufacturing plants are well engaged, and an evidence of the successful season is found in much larger Fall River dividends.

The course of commodity prices is shown by Dun's index number, which was \$100.419 on December 1, against \$90.579 on November 1, and \$101.378 on December 1, 1901. Higher prices for dairy and garden products account for the rise during November, but it is particularly gratifying to the consumer that the present level is nearly 1 per cent lower than at the corresponding date last year. This change is also in foodstuffs, where the cost of living was abnormally expanded by short crops in 1901.

Reorder demands for lightweight woollens are limited, and there is much conservatism in placing spring business because of the slowness with which seasonable goods are moving, owing to heavy initial orders. However, mills are busy. A further advance in raw wool gives a better value to the finished product, but selling prices are without alteration.

Irregularity is reported in the iron and steel market; most departments having much business while a few are seeking new orders and seem disposed to make slight concessions. Stability is naturally most conspicuous in those divisions where it has been possible to prevent inflation, while in cases of extreme pressure and high premiums for early delivery, the imports that have been attracted higher have a demoralizing influence. In view of the scarcity of coal, it is not easy for domestic producers to meet this foreign competition, and when any material reduction is made it may be found that foreign concerns will also cut prices. Thus far, however, only a slight tendency is noted in the direction of cheaper iron, and in such products as steel rails and structural material the consumer cannot hope for early concessions. As it is well known that much business is held back by high prices, there is no prospect of distress in the near future. Any decided reduction of quotations would bring out these postponed orders. Consequently the only disturbing feature in this industry continues to be the inadequate supply of fuel, and even the most sanguine do not anticipate a return of normal conditions before spring.

Farm products are remarkably well sustained, considering the liberal quantities moving to market.

Statistics of failures during November disclose no weakness in the industrial structure. On the contrary, there is every evidence of strength.

THE NEW YORK STOCK MARKET.

Day's Trading Was Small and Without Significance—Bonds Dull and Irregular.

New York, Dec. 6.—The various restrictive influences which have brought down the volume of activity in the stock market had an addition yesterday in the stormy weather. The net results of the day's trading were extremely small. The market was really without significance.

So far as the sentiment of the day was manifest, the anxiety over the future of the money market was still evident. The forecast of the weekly bank statement fully justified this feeling. The banks have apparently lost nearly \$7,000,000 from their cash reserves during the week. It will be remembered that last week's loss was understated in the bank statement by nearly \$2,000,000 by reason of the working of the average system of computation. The movement of currency has been in favor of the interior again to the extent of nearly \$900,000, including the deposits at the sub-treasury for telegraphic transfer to the interior. The balance of the loss is made up of customs and internal revenue payments and the \$1,000,000 exported to South America. There is the usual obscurity regarding the changes in the loan item of the banks. There has been nothing in the stock market to indicate extensive liquidation of loans. The change in that item is likely to depend on syndicate operations and on movements in the foreign exchange market. Tension in the time money market has appreciably grown during the week, but call loan rates showed a tendency to relax yesterday. This was partly due to the lightness of the demand. The week's exports of grain show a rising tendency, promising some relief from that source for the foreign exchange situation.

STEAMER BURNED.

Philadelphia, Dec. 6.—The steamer *Saxon*, of the Boston and Philadelphia Steamship company, was burned at her dock at midnight last night. The vessel is a total loss. The fire originated in the engine room, and Captain Briggs and the crew of 21 men aided the local fire department in fighting the flames.

Dairy and Food Figures.

Harrisburg, Dec. 6.—The annual report of Dairy and Food Commissioner Cope was yesterday submitted to Governor Stone. The report shows the following revenues under the several laws from January 1 to December 1, 1902: For oleomargarine licenses, \$23,477.04; under oleomargarine law, fines and costs, \$3,463.93; under the renovated butter law, fines and costs, \$578.68; under the milk act, fines and costs, \$1,122.24; under the cheese act, fines and costs, \$327.50; under the pure food act, fines and costs, \$6,726.04; under the lard act, costs, \$23.00; under the vinegar act, fines and costs, \$327.05; for renovated butter licenses, \$766.67. Total, \$41,653.50.

Governor Stone's Prompt Action.

Harrisburg, Dec. 6.—Governor Stone has taken prompt action to raise the quarantine which has been ordered by Governor Yates of Illinois, against Pennsylvania cattle on account of the foot and mouth disease which exists among cattle in the New England states. Governor Stone wrote a letter to Governor Yates yesterday protesting against his action, and advising him that there has been no such disease in this state since 1882, that there has been none in New York, and there is none and has been none in New Jersey.

Six Miles of New Railroad.

Harrisburg, Dec. 6.—A charter was issued by the state department yesterday to the York Haven and Rowena Railroad company to build a line from York Haven, York county, to the mouth of the Catoctin creek, thence across the Susquehanna river to Rowena, Lancaster county. The line will be six miles long, and will serve as connecting link for the new line to be built by the Pennsylvania Railroad company for through freight between Pittsburgh and Philadelphia.

Ohio Mothers' Congress.

Columbus, O., Dec. 6.—The Ohio Mothers' Congress closed its annual convention here yesterday, after electing the following officers: President, Mrs. Joseph A. Jeffrey, Columbus; recording secretary, Mrs. Martin Seibert, Cleveland; corresponding secretary, Mrs. D. F. Harris, Columbus; auditors, Mrs. N. C. Starr, Cleveland; treasurer, Miss Ellen Jones, Toledo. The next convention will be held at Cleveland, in October, 1903.

Syndicate to Furnish Gold.

New York City, Dec. 6.—It is reported that a powerful New York syndicate is disposed to furnish the government with sufficient gold to establish firmly a gold standard here. The syndicate is \$30,000,000. Some local bankers think half of that amount could be ample. There is a strong sentiment in favor of retaining the silver dollar, although giving them a nominal value.

Connellsville Real Estate Bulletin.
Office, 201 W. Main Street, Connellsville, Pa.

Eight houses for rent in South Connellsville, Pa.; 7 and 8 rooms. Houses and lots for sale in all sections of town.

East End Acre Garden.—Ten little farms from one to ten acres on main highways, along street car line, one mile from Connellsville. Call at office if you have any thing to sell or want to purchase a farm, a house, a lot, or rent a house; or we will look after the renting of your property.

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NOTICE.
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And there was light, but not until we had put in one of our
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We have many left and time enough to put one in your parlor for Christmas.
F. T. Evans,
S. Pittsburg Street, Connellsville.

The Second National Bank
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Is prepared to serve you in every department of banking.
CAPITAL, \$50,000.00
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THE YOUGH NATIONAL BANK
pays interest on all savings accounts.

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We are always ready to talk business on any of the above subjects, and have no hesitancy in saying that our facilities for accommodating you in either line are as good as the best, and that our contracts are seldom equaled and never excelled.
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208 Title & Trust Building,
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No Manly Man
can feel comfortable who is living up to every cent he earns, especially if he has others dependent upon him for support.
A savings account in this bank gives you a feeling of absolute security because the safety of your money is assured by a Capital and Surplus of \$210,000.
Our little Auxiliary Banks will help you save money. Call and get one.
The First National Bank
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We Have Not Sold Out.
If you insure with us, you have all the protection your money can buy. We represent **Seven Million Dollars Cash Capital.**
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INSURANCE AGENTS,
WEIHE BUILDING,
CONNELLVILLE, PA.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Ohio—Fair to-day, except snow flurries along the lake. To-morrow fair; fresh, west winds, diminishing.
 Western Pennsylvania—Snow flurries to-day. To-morrow fair; fresh, west to northwest winds.
 West Virginia—Fair to-day and to-morrow.

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ADVERTISING.

The Weekly Courier has long been recognized as the best advertising medium in the Connellsville coke region, and this reputation will be fully sustained by The Daily Courier. Schedule of advertising rates furnished on application.

PUBLICITY FOR TRUSTS.

The Congress lost no time in acting on the suggestion contained in the President's message that the big corporations commonly called trusts should be compelled by law to make public statements at stated intervals, after the manner of national banks, showing their assets and liabilities, their gains and losses, and their capital, surplus and undivided profits.

Such statements regularly made will have the effect of guarding against mismanagement, creating and maintaining public confidence, placing the stocks of good companies upon a firm and stable footing and preventing their manipulation in Wall street.

The advantages of publicity are so many and manifest that we are inclined to think that they far outweigh any disadvantages in the matter of trade relations that may ensue; and we will not be surprised to see the biggest of the trusts welcome the proposed law upon its passage.

A LAME APOLOGY.

The esteemed News does not think the members of Town Council should be criticised "simply because they see fit to meet when it suits them."

The public will probably look at the matter from a different point of view, especially when it is made apparent that the public business is being neglected, if not actually evaded.

"They can have business of their own to look after," says The News. That is true, but when they accept the position of Councilmen they ought to look after the borough's business, too, and on no account sacrifice it to the pleasure of hunting.

The members who wanted to hunt were Democrats. Had they been Republicans, it would not have been deemed necessary to change the meeting night.

The Independent and the Democrat of Waynesburg are excellent neighbors. The latter borrows the former's railroad news, type and all, and the editors probably swap tobacco.

The Brownsville Clipper has hopes of the consolidation of the two boroughs over there, that make one town, being divided only by Dunlap's creek, which dries up in summer and freezes over in winter. The Courier has hoped during these many years for something of a like nature here, and we still have hopes.

The Uniontown Standard shifts its ground and talks vaguely about the "big coal sales" in Southern Fayette county. This has nothing to do with the original question. The center of the Connellsville coke region remains at Connellsville.

The proposed Ohio river improvement has taken definite shape in Congress, but it involves the expenditure of an enormous amount of money, and it is problematical whether it ever gets beyond the survey stage.

Germany is always threatening war, commercial and otherwise. Some day that chip on Willie's shoulder will get a rude jostle.

The News so seldom has any telegraphic matter that it must be excused for getting rattled over that hotel fire in Chicago, which it located in New York and published with scare head-

lines. The Courier printed the item the same afternoon, but it didn't make so much fuss about it.

A New York syndicate proposes to furnish Mexico with enough gold to put her on a sound money basis. When it comes to financing there is nothing too great for Wall street any more, not even the financing of a nation.

"Everybody in town knew of Monday's Council meeting," says The News. Our knowledgeable contemporary evidently means that they knew after the appearance of The News the next afternoon; but even then comparatively few knew it.

NEW BANK BUILDING.

Plans for the New Haven Structure Are Ready for Bids.

Campbell & Wilson have completed plans and specifications for the proposed New Haven National Bank building, and the same are now in the hands of contractors for bids. The new building will have a frontage of 40 feet on Main street and 72 feet on Fourth street. It will be by all odds the most handsome business and apartment structure in New Haven. The building will be constructed of a unique combination of compressed brick and carved stone. The entrance to the banking room will be from the corner. In the front and center of the building, on the Main street side, is a prettily recessed entrance to the four apartments in the second and third stories. To the right is a fine large store room with big display windows. The interior of the banking room will be finished in quartered oak and will be up-to-date in every respect. Everything necessary to fit up a handsome modern banking room will be introduced. The lobby and exterior entrances will be finished in marble mosaic.

The apartments on the upper floors will be modern and attractive in many features. They have been arranged to meet the requirements of the most exacting tenants.

Brakeman's Foot Cut Off. Samuel S. Waltonbaugh, a brakeman on the Pittsburg & Lake Erie railroad while cutting cars at the Jacob's Creek scales on Monday morning, fell under the wheels and had his right foot cut off at the ankle. He is a married man, and is aged about 21 years.

The GRANDEST DISPLAY of Holiday Goods

Ever shown by a Furniture Store in the County.
 Hundreds of styles that no other store has.

HOLIDAY PRESENTS

Which are picked out now, we will gladly store without charge and deliver when requested. We would suggest early selections while the stock is so complete and before the store is packed with Holiday shoppers.

The Aaron Co.

Successors to

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Cor. Pittsburg and Apple Sts., Connellsville, Pa.

A Man is Hard to Please

That is when it comes to buying him a Christmas present. We have discovered how to please him and have just received a large, handsome line of.

SMOKING JACKETS AND BATH ROBES.

These are of pretty designs and good material. Just the proper thing for a Christmas gift.

C. A. PORT,

CLOTHIER,

Marietta Block, North Pittsburg Street.

IT IS HOT AIR

The real hot air that makes your home a place of comfort. We furnish this kind, also steam and hot water and are making a specialty of the

Stanton Hot Air Furnace

the only one on the market that is perfect. We guarantee them. Heating is our specialty, though we do a general plumbing and tinning business and are always prepared to meet the immediate demands of our patrons.

Munson Bros.,

West Orchard Alley, Connellsville.



ILL-FITTING TROUSERS

Spoil the looks of a perfect-fitting coat.

You're not well dressed if your trousers don't fit. If you wear our sort you're always well dressed. They fit, or they don't leave the store.

New patterns for Fall and Winter—cut JUST RIGHT. \$1.50 to \$6, or any price between.

E. W. HORNER,
 MEN'S AND BOYS' CLOTHING,
 New Marietta Building, The White Front,

IT'S THE Good Things

YOU WANT

And at our store is where you will always find them. See what we have for the holidays:

Stuffed Figs, Stuffed Dates, Table Raisins, English Fruit Cake, Home Made Mince Meat, Tangerine Oranges, Grape Fruit, Auto Brand Olives, All Kinds of Nuts, Edna, Pineapple, Roquefort, Neufchatel, Swiss and Cream Cheeses. All fresh.

W. R. SCOTT,
 The Grocer,
 238 N. Pittsburg Street.

SERMONS TOMORROW.

What the Ministers Will Preach on From the Local Pulpits.

UNITED BRETHREN'S MEETINGS.

They Will be Held All of the Coming Week—Revival Services Also Being Held at the Methodist Protestant Church.

Special meetings and services are being held this week in the new United Brethren Church on Crawford avenue. The subjects for tomorrow's sermons will be "The Doctrine of Regeneration" at 10.30 o'clock A. M. and "The Doctrine of Sanctification" at 7.30 P. M. The subject of Monday evening's sermon will be "Holiness." Tuesday, "The Baptism of the Holy Spirit and What it Does;" Wednesday, "The Necessity and Possibility of the Baptism of the Holy Spirit;" Thursday, "The Baptism with the Holy Spirit Obtained;" Friday, "How Spiritual Power is Lost;" Sunday, December 14th at 7.30 P. M. a sermon on "Consecration" followed by consecration services.

A male quartet composed of E. S. McGregor, William M. Griffiths, Frank C. Hicks and S. R. Mason, will sing at the Christian Church at 10.30 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. tomorrow. In the morning there will also be a solo by Miss Cleo Murland, "Like as a Father Pitieth His Children." In the evening Mr. Hicks will sing "Eternal Day."

South Connellsville Evangelical Church. Preaching at 10.30 A. M., Sunday School at 2.30 P. M., prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7.30; Y. P. A. Friday evening at 7.45. All are welcome. W. H. McLaughlin, pastor.

Services are held every Sunday at the Immaculate Conception Church, corner East Main and Prospect streets. Masses at 7.30 and 9, and High Mass at 10.30 A. M. Vespers at 7.30 P. M. Rev. John T. Burns, pastor; Rev. P. Brennan, assistant pastor.

The pastor, Rev. J. C. Cobb, will preach at 10.30 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. in the South Side Baptist Church. Sunday school at 2 P. M. All are invited to these services.

Trinity Reformed Church, corner Pittsburg and Green streets, Sunday. Sunday School 9.30 A. M.; services at 10.30 A. M. and 7.30 P. M.; Christian Endeavor at 6.30 P. M. A. J. Heller, pastor.

United Brethren Church Crawford avenue, W. V. Barnhart, pastor. Services in Kooser's Hall, South Pittsburg street. Sunday School at 9 A. M., preaching at 10.30 A. M.; Y. P. C. U. Society 6.30 P. M.; preaching at 7.30 P. M.; prayer meeting on Wednesday evening at 7.30.

Sunday announcement, the First Methodist Protestant Church, Rev. W. H. Gladden, minister. Revival services all day, and each evening next week, Professor Peterson leading the chorus. All are cordially invited.

Christian Church, Rev. W. R. Warren, pastor. Preaching Sunday at 10.30 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. The singing will be led by a strong choir, which will also render special music at each service. Other services as usual.

On Sunday next the Rev. Dr. Cartwright will conduct divine services and preach in Trinity Church, New Haven, in the morning at 10.30, and in St. John's German Lutheran Church, Connellsville, in the evening at 7.30. At each service, a full attendance is desired to hear the Advent sermons, and an important announcement.

The Baptist Church will meet next Sunday in the chapel of the new church. The pastor, T. J. Edwards, will preach at 10.30 A. M. on "Modern Gods," and at 7.30 P. M. on "The Two Seeds." Bible School at 9.30 A. M. Young People's service at 6.40 P. M.

Reception by Woman's Guild. The Woman's Guild of Trinity Church, New Haven, have arranged for a reception and sale at the residence of Mrs. Alex. Johnston, Washington avenue, Connellsville, from 4 to 9 o'clock P. M. There will be an ample supply of refreshments, a variety of useful and ornamental articles for sale, and full opportunity for social intercourse. The members of the Guild cordially invite their friends and the public to participate in the pleasure of this reception. Their presence will be welcome, and their patronage appreciated.

South Connellsville. John Pierce has gone up the Yough to work for C. D. Yowler at his sand bank. No doubt people here are acting very wisely in abandoning the use of their well water and getting the city water in. It is quite reasonable to suppose that our well water is responsible for much of the sickness in our village. J. Richard O'Neal has traded his famous con dog for a graphophone.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Live News Notes Gathered From all Parts of the Town.

J. N. McMillon, E. & O. Claim Agent, was in town last night.

Thirty-three per cent. reduction on all millinery at the great sale at The Fair.

H. G. Whitsett, a former Fayette county man, now a coal operator at Dugger, Ind., was here last night.

If you want a good first-class bobbed call at the office of the Youghiogheny Lumber Yard, New Haven, Pa. Mace & Co. herewith inform the public that from the 12th to the 26th of December no coupons for photographs will be issued.

At the Y. M. C. A. Men's meeting Sunday at 8.30 P. M., the delegates to the recent District Convention at Greensburg will present their report and a cordial invitation is extended to all men to attend.

S. R. Devore, who conducted a boarding house at 215 Water street for the past year, has moved with his family to Oliphant where he is engaged as head clerk in the Union Supply Company store at that place.

In relating the last deaths from smallpox in Connellsville prior to that of F. N. Frum in yesterday's Daily Courier the statement was made that two men died 20 years ago in a boarding house on Water street where the Baltimore House now stands. It should have read near the Baltimore House, the location being across Peach street. The old Tribune office stood at the corner of Peach and Water streets 20 years ago.

Elg Shipment of Wool.

W. L. Cowell and J. W. Closser, wool merchants of Waynesburg, shipped to Stone & Christie, Philadelphia, last week, 200,000 pounds of Greene county wool, for which they received 30 cents a pound at Waynesburg. This week Closser is shipping 100,000 pounds more, which is owned individually and for which he receives 22 cents per pound there. These gentlemen had good faith in the outlook for wool and stored their purchases made earlier this season. By the recent sales they realize a handsome profit. Closser says he is willing to engage all of the new Greene county clip of 1903 at 20 cents per pound.

Real Estate Sales.

The Connellsville Real Estate Company have made the following sales of East End Acres Gardens, transfers by deed of which were made yesterday: To Lizzie Campbell Lot No. 14, \$275; to John Keck, Lot No. 7, \$400; to Mrs. Mary Stickle, Lot No. 15, \$250. They also sold for John H. Moreland a lot at Gibson to Jacob Welmer for \$350. Welmer will build a double dwelling house in the spring.

Organization Meeting.

The stockholders of the Sligo Iron & Steel Company are holding a meeting at the First National Bank this afternoon. It is for the purpose of organizing by electing officers and Directors to fill the places of those now serving in the company as it exists in Pittsburg. Joseph McConnell, who will probably be elected Manager of the Connellsville plant, is present at the meeting.

F. L. Rocereto's TONSORIAL SALON.

Most complete in the county. Four Barbers. No Waiting. Courteous Treatment. Face Massage a Specialty. Shower and Tub Bath in connection.

CONNELLVILLE, PA.
Basement of Porter Block, N. Pittsburg Street.

A Special Announcement.

For the next 20 days I am going to make a special effort to increase my business double the amount of any other month in the past year, which has been very good, and to do this I realize that something very interesting to the purchasing public must be done, I therefore purpose to sell at a special price any and all the fine lot of Pianos and Organs purchased by me for this Holiday trade (no second-hand goods, not bought from some retiring dealer that had a lot of shop worn goods left over from last season, but fresh new goods bought especially for this month's trade). I invite you to call at my music parlors, 115 South Pittsburg street, Connellsville, and see my line and get my prices, and I will convince you that I can and will sell you more quality and beauty for a dollar than any other dealer in this part of the State.

S. R. MASON,
LEADING DEALER,
Connellsville, Pa.

OPEN EVENINGS.

DUNN'S CASH STORES.

Still after the Men

If these men will only ask their women folks where they want their Christmas Gifts to come from they'll find that this store has the preference above others. They'll find out there's an added value to the gift when it's known to have come from this store, and the women will know, too, for there's lots of women in this vicinity who have a habit of saying "When I want a good dress I go to Dunn's." You've heard this remark as often as we have. Telling you men folks these things because we want you to make this store your Christmas Store, because if you come in now we'll have more time to help you with your selections. We've lots of good gift goods here besides those that are found at the Dress Goods Counter, but for the reason that nothing you could buy would be more appreciated than enough goods for a dress or a skirt or a waist, we have used so much newspaper space to interest the men in these goods. Another reason, it's something that men don't usually buy, and for that reason it will be a bigger surprise when Christmas arrives. You can have your gift from this department cost you from \$2.50 up as high as you care to go. Linings and trimmings selected for you, too, if you want us to. Here's how one dress would count up: Six yards of our \$1.50 Broadcloth, black and every staple color, that's \$9.00; 6 yards of lining, a good salesia at 15c a yard, that's 90c; or if you want silk lined, 8 yards of yard wide taffeta at \$1.25, that's \$10.00, make your present cost you from \$9.90 up to \$19.00. That's just one suggestion that we tell you about. We'll put in all you need for the dress or waist you select, figure it up and show you just what the entire cost will be of any piece of goods in our stock if you'll come in and give us the opportunity.

DUNN'S CASH STORES.

129, 131, 133 N. PITTSBURG STREET,
CONNELLVILLE, PA.

CHRISTMAS COMING.

It's none too soon to start your preparations, either. There's many odd little things about the store you can pick up at a small price that will make excellent gifts. Now is the time to get them, others will be picking them out if you wait too long.

Winter Is Now Starting in Earnest.

You hadn't thought or didn't know before just exactly what you need for winter. We have most everything you can or will need for winter protection—Comforts, Blankets, Men's and Boys' Sweaters, Shoes, Hose, Caps, Rubbers and Boots, Ladies' Skirts and Jackets, Infants' Coats, Etc., If you forgot or neglected these things before, now is none too soon to get them.

Men's Swewesters.

Men's, Young Men's and Little Men's Sweaters. There is no better protection in winter.

Men's Cotton Sweaters at 48c. All-wool ones at 75c, worth \$1.00. Others a bit heavier, choice of navy and white, royal and white or red and white at \$1.25. Others value them at \$1.75.

Men's Overalls.

You will find them really wearable, union made, 49c. Railroad, union made, 75c.

Overshoes, Rubber and Felt Boots.

Good foot protection is necessary to preserve good health. When out of doors you need either Overshoes or Boots. We offer you a very extensive line to select from. A few prices will give you an idea of the cost:

Children's and Misses Overshoes, sizes 9 to 2, 33c values at 25c. Ladies' low cut at 25c, and the storm ones at 35c. Bring 50c at ordinary stores.

Out-of-door workers need rubber or felt boots. Rubber ones at \$2.25, value \$3.00. The one-buckle felts at \$1.50, value \$2.00. Two-buckle, somewhat heavier, high top, white lug, value \$3.00, our price \$2.25.

Dishes, Chinaware, Etc.

We have quite a few odd lots of Dishes—need the space they occupy for Christmas goods. We're set a price on them that will quickly move them—that is if price is any object to you.

Ten Englishware Tumblers, marked 75 to 80c, now 48c. English Porcelain Teapots, marked 65c, now 48c.

Soup Plates, the pretty blue ware, marked 12c, now 10c. Blue Englishware Plates, marked 72c the set of six, now 50c.

Many other nice things, you'll find them half way back on the left. We have some unique things in Ten Sets—you'll know why when you see them. Six-piece fancy gold-rimmed, worth \$1.25, the price is 98c.

Something out of the ordinary are the German Chocolateware Sets at 50c. Water Sets at 58c and up.

A few very pretty Parlor Lamps—scarce they're called. The low prices we put on them will certainly move a sale if you see them and need one.

An extra beautiful \$15 Lamp goes for \$7.98. A fine 26-inch \$10 Lamp at \$5.95.

Some other nice ones at \$3.25. Another lot—not cheap lamps, but lamps cheap—99c.

A few other things we might mention—Coco Door Mats keep mud out of the house—49c to 59c.

Don't forget us next time you need a Chair Seat, 14 to 18-in. 5c to 10c.

Ladies' Jackets,

There's quality in them, \$2.48, \$3.75, \$4.98. You cannot get as good elsewhere at less than a half more.

Coats for youngsters from 4 to 14 years \$1.25 up to \$4.80. Infants' short Coats, 50c, 99c, \$1.25, \$1.98.

Ladies' Dress Skirts, \$1.99, \$2.99, \$4.98.

New York Racket Store,

C. E. SCHMITZ, Proprietor.

166 W. Main St.,

Connellsville.

Shoe Your Boys

There never were more styles to choose from than now. The new Winter shapes and weights are here.

There isn't any better wearing, better fitting or more satisfactory shoes sold than ours. Nothing spared to make them wear. There never will be a time when you can buy and be suited in every way better than now. The saving our prices afford should bring parents here without delay.

SOLD ONLY ON THEIR MERITS.

Norris & Hooper,

104 West Main Street, Connellsville, Pa.

THE PRIDE OF THE WEST

A Modern Cafe for Ladies and Gentlemen.

BISHOP & KREGER, Props.

J. E. SIMS.

Funeral Director and Embalmer.

Store, Bell Phone 158. Tri-State Phone 245. Residence, Bell Phone 160.

REAL BARGAINS ARE SCARCE

Yet at our store there are a few real bargains in Furniture left from the Closing Out Sale. These must go at once to enable us to make improvements at our place for

EXCLUSIVE UNDERTAKING

which we will follow at our old place of business

MORRIS & CO.,

Both Phones. 242 NORTH PITTSBURG STREET. CHAS. C. MITCHELL, Funeral Director and Embalmer.

FUN WITH MARK TWAIN

Advance Obituary Notices
Written of Him by Some
Fellow Literary Lights.

DINKELSPIEL'S WARM TRIBUTE.

Humorist's Friend says Mark is "Der Best Choke Gracker Efer Coaxed a Smile to der Outside of der Face und Keht it Dare."

When Mark Twain, the humorist, recently sent an advertisement about his obituary notices to the editor of Harper's Weekly, he stated that he wants the record exactly straight before he goes. He has seen the folly of departing before one's obituary notices are correctly edited, and he desires to adopt the only reasonable method of assuring the proper supervision of such matter—namely, the editing of it himself.

In recognition of the practical value of this novel undertaking the New York World has obtained a number of advance obituary notices of Mr. Twain from certain persons who are his contemporaries in the genial task of making smiles. Here are some of them:

D. Dinkelspiel, per George V. Hobart, says:

Ad der age of ninety-seven dare has passed into der pure vife light of memory a cheutleman rich labored many years under der name of Mark Twain.

He vas a chokeist, run of der most successful laugh givers der world has efer witnessed, bud "nil nisi borax," as ve say in der Latin.

Id is mit him today as id has been many dimes mit some of his chokes, "requiescent in posse."

Several years before he finally de-cisioned to walk down der long line dot has no turning Mark hat a conversation mit der author of dese bidden words.

"Dinky," set Mark, offering himself a long, black cigar, vich he politely accepted, "dare vas now no pupple to look ad us. Ve vas alone, far from der madding throng. Derefore led us en-joy ourselfs as true humorosities und discuss der supcheekt of tombstones."

"As you vish so id is, Mark," I mur-mured, mit a sour glance.

"Ven I go down by der river Sticks to took a ride in der boat built by Chou Kendrick Puggs, I vish to leave be-hind me a epitlaugh on my tombstone," set Mark, breathing deeply on his cigar.

Id vas a solemn moment, und I vulted for id to pass away.

"Could you, Dinky, suchebest a epitlaugh for my tombstone ven Mother Earth vispers. Id is time to go to press, mit your form, Mark!"

"I hebe der consumption so devoutly vished vill nefer ofertook you, Mark," I set earnestly. "Bud here is der epitlaugh for your tombstone ven

der necessity drives you to id:
"Vie here below you tipped us so
Und trank us laugh der vife,
So now mit ehoy your time employ
To make der angels smile!"

"To d's, Mark, I vould add der sweet assurance of a hand mit der digitals finger pointed upward, und unter der hand I vould pud der legend, 'Nod Dead, but Chokeing!'"

Den mit knuckle to knuckle ve grasped each adder's hands un vent our vays. Und now to dink vot a sat, sat, bidden task is mine to write der obituary of a man dot nefer dit me any harm in his life. Mark Twain started dis life during his boyhood days. He attended der school of egg-sperience und graduated darfrom mit seferal hard knocks to his credit, bud id vos nod until he vent luto der playwrighting pitzness dot he efer felt der full force of a hard knock. Mark leaves behind him two sons, Luckie-berry Finn und Tom Sawyer, both of vich refused to took der father's name for pitzness reasons.

Mark vas born mit a tinkle in his eye vich he afterwards transferred to his fountain pen, also for pitzness reasons. He is der author of many goot chokes, vittikisms und bong mots vich some of our famous humorosities have writen since. He also wrote a book, maybe two or three books, bud dey vas too successful to be advertised so ve don't read must about dem.

Mark has many dings to his credit, bud der most of dese is der noble fact dot mit temptationment efer clumping up to bite him on der shlabone he steadfastly refused to become a dialectalst. Und dare led us leave him, mit der digitals finger on his tombstone pointing upward, ve hope nod in vain. To some der bidden idea may come dot der finger has a poor knowledge of localities, und to such as dem ve say, "Futeh!"

Dare, mit de mauve light vich is der essence of vell remembered laughter playing hide und seek mit his memory led us leave him—der best choke crack-er dot efer coaxed a smile to der outside of der face und keht id dare.

THE COUNTERFEITERS

Will Hold the Boards at Connellsville Theatre Tonight.

Carl A. Haswin's new production, "The Counterfeiters," will be seen at the Connellsville Theatre tonight. The play is a genuine hit and a real



YOUR IN THE COUNTERFEITERS DEN

success. Not only is it magnificently mounted and acted but the drama has made a sensation. The raid on the counterfeiters' den is startling in the extreme, calling forth from seven to ten recalls nightly.

The Charles Edwards Stock Com-pany will open in "The Power of Wealth," Monday, December 8th. This company will present strong plays at popular prices. A change of the bill each night. Eight big vaudeville acts will be presented between the acts. Tuesday night the Mormon play, "Utah," will be presented, and Wednesday night the border drama, "Jesse James." Ladies can secure the best reserve seat tickets on the opening night for 15c. Prices 10, 20 and 30c.

The positive demand for the legiti-mate drama, rendered in an adequate manner, has literally forced the pro-duction of Shakespeare's most be-loved play, "Romeo and Juliet." The Sunville presentation of the beautiful love story will be staged and costumed in such a manner as to delight the eye of the most exacting play goer. Every-thing, scenery, costumes, properties and effects will all be made spe-cially for this one complete production to be given at the Connellsville The-atre, Thursday, December 11th.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Live News Notes Gathered From all Parts of the Town.

The great clock sale at The Fair. The largest line of fine mill-ware at The Fair.

The snow shovel was in evidence yesterday.

There is not too much snow for the small boy with the sled.

P. C. Moore of Dawson was a caller in town Thursday evening.

H. L. Thomas of Uniontown was among the callers in town Thursday.

Buy your Monte Carlo coats at 60c on the dollar at the great sale at The Fair.

It looks like a white Christmas, but then the weather man is a fickle fel-low.

J. H. Harris, a lumber dealer of Scottdale, was circulating in the local business world Friday afternoon.

Skates are glittering in the hard-ware store windows and the small boy anxiously scans the Duro Devil Yough for signs of a freeze-up.

Miss Mae McClure, formerly Super-intendent at the Cottage State Hos-pital, was the guest Friday of Mr and Mrs. J. L. Sims, North Pittsburg street.

Local physicians say there are more coughs and colds in town than there have been for a number of years. None of them, however, seem to superinduce any very serious illness.

Morris & Co. are preparing to par-tition off their store room at Pitts-burg and Peach streets so as to have more commodious quarters when they discontinue their furniture business for undertaking exclusively.

Messrs. Campbell & Wilson received the charter for the new Campbell & Wilson Company, Friday. A meeting w'll be held in a short time when offi-cers will be elected and other details of organization attended to.

Clyde Abraham, formerly of Dun-bar, Cadet at West Point from this Congressional district, was a sub in the game with the Naval Academy at Franklin Field, Philadelphia, last Sat-urday when the Army defeated the Navy, 23 to 5.

Charles Love, who was drowned in the Monongahela river at Rice's Land-ing on Thursday was a relative of Rev. W. H. Gladden, pastor of the Methodist Protestant Church of Con-nellsville. Neither Love's nor Rock's body has been recovered.

Next Monday evening the Connell-sville Reading Room and Gymnasium will be organized. The promoters, G. E. Fox and E. G. Atkinson have a large membership on the rolls. The objects of this organization have pre-viously been mentioned in these col-umns.

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Christmas
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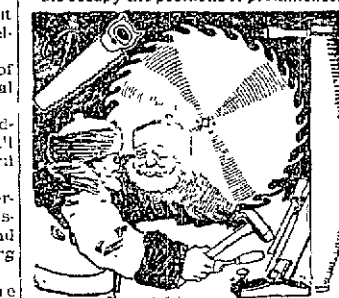
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come and talk it over.

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Is seen it will be hard to realize that
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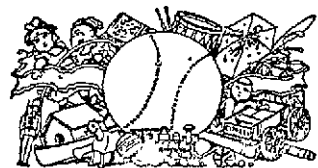
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DONALD DONALDSON, JR.

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Being a True Record and Explanation of the Seven
Mysteries Now Associated With His Name in
the Public Mind, and of an Eighth,
Which is the Key of the Seven

By HOWARD FIELDING

CHAPTER XV. THE PREDICTION OF DEATH.

[CONTINUED.]

"This may be all right, Uncle John," said he, "but I will bet a million dollars against a teaspoonful of east wind that it won't come out that way. However, if you win you don't care what the vote is."

"I'd like to know what you think it's going to be," said I.

"I'm ashamed," said Donald. "It's silly for me to pretend to know anything about it."

Bunn was hitching about in his chair.

"I think it would be very interesting," said he. "I'd like to know whether you think the same way that I do about it."

"Your opinion is far the worst of the lot, Mr. Bunn," responded Donald jokingly. "You're not right, even about



"If you have anything to say upon this matter, speak now."

the grand total, without regard to the way the votes fall upon one side or the other."

"No, no, Donald," said I. "Mr. Bunn figures as we do, that every share will be voted."

The boy looked surprised.

"I thought he estimated them a hundred short," said he.

Bunn slowly raised himself from his chair.

"I must get back to my work," said he.

Donald meanwhile was writing on a slip of paper.

"This is my prediction," he announced, "and if you won't look at it till afterward I'll give it to you, uncle."

"All right, my boy," I replied. And when he had sealed up the prediction in a very small envelope I put it into my waistcoat pocket.

In the course of the next day or two I had several opportunities for exerting my powers of persuasion upon Mr. Isaac Thorndyke. He was evasive, but his intent was clear. The man could be counted absolutely with the Kelvin party. What inducements Kelvin offered him I have never learned, but I have suspected that they consisted in promises to invest money in a crazy invention which Thorndyke controlled and in which he had just sense enough not to sink all his own money.

No change occurred in the situation up to the day before the election. On the afternoon of that day Donald and I were walking along the business street of Tunbridge, where most of the stores are and the principal hotel, a sorry place of entertainment, I regret to say. As we approached it I saw Detective Gillespie come out. He paused upon the edge of the upper step, and I noticed that he was a trifle unsteady, as if under the influence of drink.

I had had no interview with this man since the day when he had made his extraordinary and baseless charge against Donaldson. I knew that he had remained in town, and I had taken some pains to make sure that he was not repeating his accusation. And he done so I should have made trouble for him. But so far as I could judge his main business was to drive about the town in a light top buggy and look mysterious.

The vehicle in question was standing before the door of the hotel, and the horse was fastened to an iron hitching post. As we approached the spot from one side Kelvin and Thorndyke came up from the other, so that it seemed likely that there would be a rather interesting encounter before the door of the hotel.

Gillespie remained poised upon the step, and as we came near Donald bowed to him.

"Aha, the wonder-boy!" said Gillespie. "What sort of weather are we going to have next Christmas?"

"The weather is fine today," replied Donald, pausing. "Be content with that."

Gillespie turned to me.

"I've got some interesting facts for you, Mr. Harrington," said he. "They won't please your young friend there very much."

"I would suggest that this is hardly the place to disclose them," said I.

"No," he answered, "and I'm not quite ready yet."

"That was the trouble with you the other day," said I injudiciously. "You fired off the gun before it was loaded."

It is a fault of mine that I am always impatient with a drunken man. Nothing else makes me so angry as foolishness, and at the head of all follies stands inebriation. On this occasion Gillespie was seized with the sudden and absurd anger which often marks a certain stage of intoxication.

"If you want me to talk right here," said he, "I'll show the whole business up. I'm dead on to this boy. I can tell you the whole game from A to Z."

A crowd was collecting. Kelvin and Thorndyke had stopped and were interested spectators. I caught a glimpse of Donald out of the corner of my eye and saw that he was pale with some strong emotion, which I judged to be wrath, though it was really mere misery, as I afterward learned.

"Why don't you go on?" said he to Gillespie. "Tell what you know here and now."

"Tomorrow will do," said the detective, beginning to descend the steps.

"Tomorrow I'll come to see you at your office, Mr. Harrington."

"I shan't be there," said I.

"Then I'll find you over to the Junction," he rejoined. "Oh, I shan't have any trouble in keeping track of you tomorrow."

Donald stepped forward into the man's path. I saw that some unusual impulse was upon the boy, and it affected me with a peculiar thrill. I had often seen him show the same aspect, but never with such intensity.

"Frank Gillespie," said he, "if you have anything to say upon this matter speak now. Tomorrow will be too late. If you wait till then, I warn you that you will not speak at all. Now is your time, and there is no other."

He extended his right hand and touched Gillespie upon the breast over the heart. He has declared since then that the gesture was entirely accidental, that he was wholly unaware of it. And I think that is one of the strongest points in the case.

As to the immediate effect of his words and manner, I never saw the like. There was such a silence that it seemed as if the whole town of Tunbridge had stopped to take its breath.

In certain moments Donald undoubtedly exercises an influence upon those about him which has no rational explanation.

Gillespie put up his hand and covered the spot which Donald had touched.

"Tocus pocus!" he cried somewhat hoarsely. "I'll attend to your case tomorrow."

He brushed past Donald and unlatched the horse with so much nervous bustle that the animal was irritated and started just as Gillespie had a foot upon the step of the buggy. The man jerked the reins with his right hand, slipped upon the step and turned about so that he was thrown against the hitching post, the iron ball upon the top of it striking him with considerable force upon the breast. The horse stopped, and Gillespie tottered back against a wheel of the buggy. His face was very white and somewhat contorted.

Such was my state of nervous and superstitious apprehension that I expected to see the man fall dead, though in ordinary circumstances I should not have feared a serious result from the accident. Evidently I was not alone in my alarm, for a strangely suppressed and inarticulate cry went up from the group upon the sidewalk, and several men stepped forward to assist Gillespie. He recovered himself, however, without help, climbed into his carriage, this time with sufficient care, and drove away.

"Donald," said I in his ear, "what did you mean?"

"Mean?" he repeated as if dazed. "Nothing at all except that I wanted him to speak. I wish to heaven he could have exposed me right there in the public street."

"Well, my boy," said I, "if anything

happens to Mr. Gillespie after what you told him just now you may be exposed by the recording angel, and it will have no effect in Tunbridge."

CHAPTER XVI. THE FATE OF A TRAITOR.

THE next morning Donaldson and I went over to the Junction on the early train. There were three or four stockholders over there to whom we wished to say a final word, though, in our opinion, the election was as good as over. I experienced a great relief and, as sometimes happens, was the better able to realize how great would have been my bitterness of spirit if Kelvin had won the fight.

I had various errands here and there in the Junction and was separated from Donaldson for some hours. We met about noon in front of the business block in which the office of the branch is located. My first glimpse of Donaldson showed me that something was wrong.

"I've just had a telephone message from Archer," he said. "He tells me that he can't find Bunn."

"Can't find him?" I echoed. "Hasn't he been at the office?"

"No. And that isn't the worst of it," he replied. "Archer has sent up to Mrs. Stewart's. Bunn's boarding place, and it seems that he wasn't there last night."

"Good heavens!" I exclaimed. "Can he have gone out on one of those long evening walks of his and fallen dead in an out of the way place? I don't mean to be heartless, Donaldson, but you know what this means to us."

"It means destruction," said he. "That's the name of it."

"Do you remember," said I, "that when Don was talking to Jim Bunn the other day he seemed to get an impression that this vote would be a hundred shares short? Can that have been a vague hint that something was going to happen to Bunn?"

"I tried to get the boy by telephone," answered Donaldson. "Dorothy doesn't know where he is. Nobody knows."

"I wish we had him here," said I.

Upon a chance I went to a public telephone and called up the office, but I got no word of any one. Archer, Bunn nor Donald. I had a curious experience with crossed wires, however, in the course of which I heard Kelvin's voice for a few minutes and made out that he was trying to get communication with Gillespie. It came to me then to wonder whether that rascal had spirited Bunn away. It was a trick that I did not believe Kelvin would stick at.

Donaldson and I were entirely helpless. We had to rely upon Archer, for we could not get to Tunbridge and back before the time set for the meeting, and so, as there was nothing better to do, we had a morsel of dinner.

Shortly before 2 o'clock Archer arrived in a pitiable state of excitement.

"What shall we do?" he cried as soon as he was within speaking distance. "Without Bunn we're lost, and I can get no trace of the man. I've got all Tunbridge hunting for him. We must hold up the meeting as long as we can."

There were about a dozen of the stockholders in the room when we three entered. Thorndyke was there, and I immediately perceived that he was very restless. I could not get him into conversation. He sat in a corner of a window seat in the attitude of a man with the stomach ache and drummed upon the floor with one foot, a habit that especially distresses me.

Presently the meeting was called to order by a little dummy who acts as president of the company because more important men do not want the office. Some reports were read, and then, under the rules, it became necessary to proceed to the election of a board of directors. I had a little scheme for holding back the vote, but it was not necessary to spring it immediately. Meanwhile the proxies were passed upon in the usual way, and tellers were appointed, one from each party. They were Donaldson and a man named Alvin Green, a small stockholder who had gone entirely over to the Kelvin party, although he owed his stock and everything else which he had in the world to me.

There were two tickets—that is, two lists of men named for directors. The lists were printed and were entitled Ticket No. 1 and Ticket No. 2. Ours was No. 1.

I was about to begin my tactics for delay when there was a loud knocking at the door, which was locked. We all jumped up from our places around the long table except Thorndyke, who had maintained his seat in the window throughout the proceedings and did not stir at the noise.

The door was opened, and Jim Bunn stalked into the room, with the air of a crazy man. I cast one look at him and then turned toward Kelvin. My enemy had seized upon Archer, who happened to be nearest to him, and had dragged him into a corner. I judged that Kelvin was protesting upon one ground or another against the admission of Bunn's vote, but I could not hear what was said. So I turned to Bunn.

"Well, Jim," said I, "where have you been?"

"Wait," said he, speaking like a man

in a trance. "Wait, I'm here to vote." "That's what we're all here for," I responded, "and the sooner the better."

Quiet was restored, and the voting began, the ballots being dropped into a hat. When all had been collected, the tellers took them to a little table in the corner and proceeded to make the count. I glanced across at Donaldson and saw instantly that he had encountered a most unpleasant surprise. In great uneasiness I turned to Carl. He was gnawing his fingers. Bunn sat rigid in a chair, his head thrust forward, his eyes staring.

I began to feel a dire isolation. These men seemed to know something of which I was ignorant. The perspiration started from my face. I would have given much for a gift of prophecy to anticipate the events of the next few minutes, and this wish naturally suggested Donald. I took from my pocket the envelope which contained his prediction and turned it nervously in my fingers. Curiosity overcame me, I broke the seal and read, with great surprise, this line:

"The Harrington ticket will win by 300 majority."

While I was vainly trying to make this result fit the mathematical possibilities, I heard the tellers rise from their table. Donaldson handed a slip of paper to the secretary of the company, who read as follows:

"All ballots are straight. No. 1 ticket has received the preferences of the holders of 3,150 shares. No. 2 ticket has received the preferences of the holders of 4,850 shares. No. 1 ticket is therefore elected."

"Here!" cried Kelvin. "There's some mistake about this. We'll verify those ballots."

I expected a reply from Donaldson, but he had crossed to the end of the table where Carl was sitting. I followed and touched him on the shoulder.

"How the dickens did we get such a result as that?" I asked. "Thorndyke must have voted for us and Bunn against us."

"Thorndyke voted for us," said Donaldson, "and Bunn voted for us. This man voted against us."

"Carl!" I exclaimed. "Impossible!" "My son tried to warn me of this long ago," said Donaldson. "And I would not hear him."

"It is a matter of business," said Carl harshly. "I am a stockholder of this company. I vote as my interest dictates."

"Thorndyke," cried Donaldson, seizing the man's arm as he was passing, "did my son know how you were going to vote?"

"Well, to be frank with you," replied Thorndyke, "your son is responsible for it. I had thought that I saw my interest clear to vote with the other party, but at a late hour last evening your son came to my house with Mr. Bunn, and I then learned what an infernally crooked game this man Kelvin has been playing. Between us, gentlemen, and to use the slang of the day, I couldn't stand for it."

"Why didn't you lift the weight from our minds by telling us this?" I demanded.

"Young Mr. Donaldson desired that I should say nothing," was the reply. "and I seemed to see his point."

For the first time in his life Thorndyke had kept a secret.

"Don't you understand?" said Donaldson. "Archer. Archer! He's the man whom my son was fighting against. If Bunn had stayed away, Archer would have voted with us, and we'd have lost the election just the same, supposing that Thorndyke had not changed his mind. But with Bunn here to vote for us and Thorndyke supposedly safe for the Kelvin party, Archer's vote would turn the scale, and it could be turned in no other way. Kelvin would force him to cast it. Donald has foreseen this a long time. It was the only way to unmask this man completely."

"Unmask, eh?" cried Carl. "Well, I'll do a little unmasking. Kelvin, where's that man Gillespie?"

"Come away," growled Kelvin. "You're making a fool of yourself. It's all over."

"No; not quite," said Carl. "Jim Bunn, answer me this: Who stole that money? Who got the \$40,000? You know. Is this the man?"

He struck Donaldson roughly on the shoulder.

"No," answered Bunn almost in a whisper. "You'll get no lies from me. I am the man."

Carl's hands dropped to his sides.

"Are you—are you such a d—d fool as that? Go to state's prison, then, if you want to and die in a cage like a rat."

Bunn shrank away as if he had received a blow in the face, while Archer turned on his heel and walked out of the room, followed by Kelvin.

"He has played the game too hard," said Donaldson. "The strain has smashed his wits."

"Upon my word," said I, "I don't quite see what his game was."

"Power!" answered Bunn. "Kelvin's control of this road would have forced your business into the trust. You would have made the best terms you could and would have retired from active management."

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Railroad Time Tables.



PITTSBURG DIVISION AND BRANCHES.

On and after Nov. 23rd, 1902, passenger trains will leave Connellsville for Chicago via Pittsburg and Akron without change. Express 2:30 and 6:14 p. m. daily.

For Cincinnati, St. Louis and Louisville via Pittsburg, 5:05 a. m. and 6:14 p. m. daily.

For Pittsburg, week days, 5:05, 7:40, 7:55, 11:05 a. m.; 1:10, 2:32, 6:14, 7:10 p. m.; Sundays, 5:05, 7:40, 7:55 a. m., and 1:10, 6:14 and 7:10 p. m.

For Washington, Pa., and Wheeling.—Week days, 5:05, 11:05 a. m.; 1:10 and 6:14 p. m. Sundays, 5:05 a. m., 1:10 and 6:14 p. m.

For Mount Pleasant.—Week days, 8:30 a. m., 3:45 and 6:55 p. m.

For Uniontown.—Week days, 7:55, 9:50 a. m., 4:05 and 6:45 p. m. Sundays, 9:50 a. m. and 6:45 p. m.

For Lockport.—Week days, 7:55 a. m., 4:05 and 6:45 p. m. Sundays, 9:50 a. m. and 6:45 p. m.

For Morgantown.—Week days, 9:50 a. m., 4:05 and 6:45 p. m. Sundays, 9:50 a. m. and 6:45 p. m.

For Fairmont.—Week days, 9:50 a. m., 4:05 p. m. Sundays, 9:50 a. m.

For Cleveland, via Pittsburg, daily, 5:05 a. m., and 1:10 p. m.

For Washington, Baltimore, Philadelphia, New York, Boston and all points in the East.—Express, daily, 9:45 a. m., 2:45, 8:05 and 11:52 p. m.

For Confluence and Krug.—5:50 a. m., except Sundays.

For Johnstown and points on the S. & C. Branch.—Week days, 8:50, 9:45 a. m., 2:45 p. m. Sundays, 2:45 p. m.

For Berlin.—Week days, 8:50 a. m. and 2:45 p. m.

For Cumberland.—Daily Express trains, 9:45 a. m., 8:05 and 10:52 p. m. Daily accommodation trains, 8:30 a. m. and 2:16 p. m.

For Shamokin Junction and points on the S. & W. R. R.—9:45 a. m., 2:45 and 10:52 p. m., daily.

For Harper's Ferry and Valley Division points.—9:45 a. m., 2:45 and 10:52 p. m. Week days only.

If you want to secure through tickets, reserve Pullman car space, or get information concerning time of trains and connections, call at the Baltimore & Ohio depot, Connellsville. H. F. DOUGLAS, Ticket Agent.

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PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.

(Southwest Branch.)

On and after June 15th, 1902, trains will arrive and depart as follows.

Southward.—For Dunbar, Redstone Junction and Uniontown, 8:15, 10:32 a. m., 3:40 and 6:45 p. m.

For Fairchance.—10:52 a. m., 3:50 and 6:45 p. m.

Northward.—For Scottsdale and Greensburg and all points on the main line, 7:32, 9:30 a. m., 2:05 and 5:53 p. m.

For information concerning rates of fare, etc., call on or address the following agents: Albert H. Robinson, Fairchance; W. D. McCormick, Uniontown; Sam Barr, Dunbar; W. K. Highberger, Connellsville; or Thomas E. Watt, Passenger Agent Western District, 805 Fifth Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa.

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J. K. WOOD, Gen. Pass. Agt.

PITTSBURG & LAKE ERIE.

Leave Pittsburg, McKeesport & Youngstown Railroad, Cleveland Short Line.

Central standard time, in effect Sunday June 15th, 1902.

Trains leave New Haven Depot for West Newton, McKeesport and Pittsburg, daily at 5:30 a. m. and 2:05 p. m.

For Dickerson Run.—Daily, 5:30 a. m., 2:05 and 6:19 p. m. For point on Belvidere branch, daily, 5:30 a. m. and 2:05 p. m.

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Trains leave Layton daily for Star Junction at 8:25 a. m. and 5:50 and 7:20 p. m.

Trains leave Star Junction for Layton daily at 7:15 a. m. and 3:20 and 6:50 p. m.

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HEADLIGHT FLASHES.

Work on the Wabash and the Prospects of Its Reaching Uniontown.

THE SHORT LINE CONNECTION.

Railroad Notes and News Gathered Off the Connellsville and Pittsburg Divisions—Personal Mention Among the Trainmen.

Matters pertaining to the building of the Wabash road from the location of the Pittsburg, Carnegie & Western south through Washington and Greene counties are fast assuming definite shape. It has not been fully determined whether the line will diverge from the Pittsburg, Carnegie & Western at Bishop or Hickory. Both of these routes possess advantages that will later unfold themselves. The distance from Pittsburg to Washington via Bishop and Canonsburg is about 30 miles, and 27 or 28 miles more brings the line to Waynesburg, making the total distance about four miles less than over the Panhandle and the narrow gauge Waynesburg & Washington.

From Waynesburg the Wabash route turns abruptly to the east, reaching the shores of the Monongahela river, crossing into Fayette county and heading straight for Uniontown. The distance to the latter place over the Wabash route will be a few miles in excess of the Baltimore & Ohio line via Connellsville. This is due to the fact, however, that the Wabash route traverses two sides of a triangle, whereas, the Connellsville route passes over but one side. Unless some unforeseen developments take place the Wabash line to Uniontown should be completed by January, 1904. The extension of the road from Waynesburg to Uniontown will go through unless all signs fail, with the energy and push that characterizes the march toward Washington and into Greene county. The line to Uniontown will get into the most sacred domains of the Baltimore & Ohio and the Pennsylvania. There is no doubt, however, but what there is room for all.

An advance in wages will be asked by all the railroads in the West where voluntary raises have not been made. The Brotherhoods on the Baltimore & Ohio will likely ask for an advance at the next scale conference.

The estimates for the new Pennsylvania, Monongahela & Southern Railroad Company, which is to run from West Brownsville to Whitley creek in Greene county to connect with the Wabash railroad, will soon be completed by Elliott & Batton, the engineers in charge. Contracts for the construction of the 22 miles, it is said, will be let within 30 days. The construction and equipment of this road will cost \$2,000,000. Starting at West Brownsville the new road will go through Pike Run township, touching Fredericktown, on the line between Washington and Greene counties; through East Bethlehem township, near Millsboro; across Ten Mile creek, through Jefferson township, touching Rice's Landing; through Cumberland township, across Muddy creek and past Port Freemont and Parker landing, across Little Whitley

creek and through Monongahela township to the Wabash line along Whitley creek.

Passenger Conductor Dennis Devine, of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, his friends will be glad to hear, is so far improved in health as to be able to get out of the house.

Passenger Conductor J. S. Parker of Connellsville is back on his run on Nos. 3 and 4. Conductor D. L. Burns, running on Nos. 1 and 2, is off on a two weeks vacation.

A new dining car has taken the place of the Chittenden on trains Nos. 5 and 6.

The case of assault and battery brought against Lieutenant James Green, of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, brought by some disorderly foreigners whom Green ejected from the waiting rooms of the station, was ignored by the Grand Jury and the costs were placed upon the prosecutors. The latter, however, have left this part of the country.

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Christmas Day is fast approaching. Happy this for young and old. Santa Claus from far is coming. Doesn't mind the snow nor cold.

Toys and Dolls and Books are bringing More than ever he did before. And he had them (cause too heavy) Shipped by freight to MACE'S STORE.

Santa Claus he cannot carry All his gifts—he's old, you know— And couldn't the distribution Of them all to MACE & CO.

Now it's easy, little children, Now you need to write no more; Just with Papa or with Mamma You walk down to MACE'S STORE.

To the Ladies.

What to buy as Christmas present For your husband or your beau. And to find out where to buy it— These are questions, don't you know!

What to buy? That's rather easy. And a man—as you will find— Wants to know who gives the present. What it is he doesn't mind.

How about a fine Umbrella, Gloves or Mullers, or some Tie? Better still, a Smoking Jacket For the Cozy home—that's nice.

Many things that we could mention— Hundreds of them, or still more; Do you know where you can find them? Just walk down to MACE'S STORE.

To the Men.

For your wife, your girl or sister, Something dainty, something smart. To select just what will please her— That is puzzling, that is hard!

Try to satisfy her wishes, This is our good advice; And her thanks and smiles Christmas Will be worth the highest price.

"That is just what we are after: Heaven's! If we only knew!" So we hear you fellows answer: But we'll tell you what to do:

Don't you break your head about it, As you always did before; We will help you to select it— Just walk down to MACE'S STORE!

If you have only one or two presents to buy, it will be easy for you to decide upon them; but if it comes to selecting quite a number of them, you will probably appreciate some suggestions.

Below we give you a complete list of all our goods appropriate for Christmas Presents. Read it carefully, mark the items that you care for and cut the list out, bring it with you when you come to see us and ask for all the respective goods. You always called Christmas shopping a "bother." Use this little system and you will be surprised to find shopping a pleasure.

FOR LADIES:

Monte Carlo Coat
Fur Set
Fur Scarf
Fur Muff
Silk Waist
Flannel Waist
Dress Hat
Silk Waist Pattern
Dress Pattern
Half dozen Handkerchiefs
Umbrella
Kid Gloves
Silk Tie
Stock Collars
Fascinator
Shawl
Brooch
Chain
Chatelaine Bag
Toilet Set
Manicure Set
Mirror
Hair Brush
Curling Irons
Fancy Scissors
Fancy Pillow
Slippers
Picture
Box Letter Paper
Book
Rug
Table Linen
Dresser Scarf
Doylies
Vase
Statuettes
Photograph Album

FOR GENTLEMEN:

Necktie
Gloves
Pin
Umbrella
Slippers
Smoking Jacket
Overcoat
Fur Cap
Driving Gloves
Suspenders (silk)
Cuff Links
Trunk
Satchel
Suit Case
Pictures
Rug
Books

FOR CHILDREN:

Dressed Doll
Kid Doll
Magic Lantern
Railway
Fire Engine
Steam Engine
Picture Book
Story Book
Suit
Dress
Coat
Overcoat
Fur Set
Tam O'Shanter
Hat
Slippers
Umbrella
Gloves

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